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## A. J. Conference Approves Weak Plan



The Opening Meeting of the Third Session of the Conference

### Police Raid Speakeasy, Break Up Gang Smashing Store Windows

**Special** PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—The gang of youths responsible for the vandalism against Jewish storekeepers in the Northeast section of the city was broken up as a result of a vice squad raid early Sunday morning on the home of John Bendarow, where police said he conducted a speakeasy. The Philadelphia Jewish Community Relations Council, co-operating with the Crime Prevention Bureau, had been investigating the continual breaking of store windows in that area as to possible manifestations of anti-Semitism.

In the raid on the speakeasy, where ten men and six women were charged with disorderly conduct, the vice squad round-up included some of the members of the gang known to be responsible for the vandalism in that area. Investigation by the JCRC, it was revealed by Maurice B. Fagan, Executive Director, not only showed that the window breaking was an expression of anti-Semitism, but also that some members of the gang were responsible for the anti-Semitic and pornographic letters received by Jewish storekeepers in the neighborhood in recent months.

At the hearing on Monday, Assistant District Attorney D. Barlow Burke emphasized the fact that the raided home not only operated as a speakeasy, but that it also served as a gathering place for a gang of youths seeking to

foment racial and religious tensions in the area by molesting and intimidating the storekeepers in the East Wyoming Avenue section. It was the common practice of the gang to congregate in the speakeasy on Saturday nights, and on leaving in the early hours of the morning, to terrorize the neighborhood by breaking the windows of Jewish-owned stores.

The JCRC was called in to investigate the vandalism after six store windows in the East Wyoming Avenue section were broken on Sunday, Jan. 20, between the hours of 3 and 5 in the morning. In co-operation with the police authorities under Captain Thomas Gibbons, of the Crime Prevention Bureau, it was found that three brothers living in the neighborhood were the ringleaders of the gang. Further investigation led to their meeting place in the speakeasy and uncovered the fact that their anti-Semitic activities included the writing of anonymous letters, as well as the breaking of store windows.

### Rosenman Wins '46 Phi Epsilon Pi Award

**Jewish Post Staff Correspondent**  
PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—Justice Samuel I. Rosenman, special counsel to President Truman and the late President Roosevelt has been named the winner of the 1945 National Service Award of Phi Epsilon Phi, Jacob K. Miller, grand superior of the fraternity announced.

The award, which is made in recognition of the finest contribution to the essential Jewish life of America, will be presented to Judge Rosenman Feb. 26 at a dinner in New York sponsored by the fraternity's alumni association there.

The judge, a member of the fraternity since his undergraduate days at Columbia University, is the 11th recipient of the award.

### Inquiry Barred From Balkans

**Special** VIENNA — The Anglo-American inquiry committee on Jewish problems was presented from contacting an estimated 565,000 Jews in the Balkans because of the refusal of governments of those countries to grant entry.

Rabbi James G. Heller will address the Jewish students on the University of Cincinnati campus on Thursday, Feb. 28, 1946, to open the United Jewish Appeal drive being launched by the Jewish student body.

### Conference Asks UNO Outlaw Anti-Semitism

**By GEOFFREY FISHER**  
**Jewish Post Staff Correspondent**  
CLEVELAND—The American Jewish Conference, in session at Hotel Cleveland here, has gone on record as:

SUPPORTING the Jews in the Holy Land in their refusal to recognize the illegal action of the British in denying the right of entry of Jews into Palestine.

CONDEMNING the British government's recent action in terminating the mandate over Trans-Jordan.

DEMANDING that British terrorism, including virtual martial law, be stopped as contrary to Anglo-Saxon law and the best traditions of the American-English people.

Calling for the trial of Hussein, former grand mufti of Jerusalem, as a war criminal and collaborator with the Nazis.

The closing session of the conference approved a resolution calling upon the United Nations to outlaw anti-Semitism.

### Sternists Act Quickly: Destroy Radar Station

**Jewish Telegraphic Agency**  
JERUSALEM—The Mount Carmel radar station was blown up by an armed band of terrorists. Eight British soldiers were injured, two seriously. The station and its antenna mast were destroyed.

Whether the blowing up of the radar station had anything to do with the seizure by police of a secret radio transmitter operated by the Stern Group in a series of house-to-house searches conducted by police and military forces, was not known. A number of people were arrested, including a 19-year-old girl said to be the radio announcer for the clandestine station.

Using radio detection apparatus, police cordoned off an area in the city and then proceeded with their search until the transmitter was uncovered on the roof of a house in Hashomer Street.

### National Organizations Unite to Hold Ground; ZOA Keeps Body Alive

**By G. M. COHEN**

CLEVELAND, O.—A compromise resolution which embodied the Zionist demand that the American Jewish Conference be continued, and without new elections; the B'nai B'rith demand that no new democratic body with widened scope could be founded without its prior agreement; and the American Jewish Congress demand that an overall democratic agency be set up, was carried overwhelmingly at the third session of the American Jewish Conference meeting here Sunday through Tuesday.

Although the actual resolution was maneuvered through a stormy session by the national organizations who seemingly presented a solid front, the third session presented the organization with more than a few trying moments before the resolution was adopted.

At Tuesday afternoon's session at which this problem of the organization and future of the conference was decided the three major national organizations, the Congress, the Z.O.A. and the B'nai B'rith presented the delegates with a united front. But actually such was not the case, for as late as 11 a.m. that same morning Rabbi Stephen S. Wise's American Jewish Congress was attempting to put through an amendment which read:

"In the event that no agreement on a permanent, democratic, representative Jewish body can be reached, the fourth shall be the final session of the American Jewish Conference as at present constituted. If there is agreement then an election shall be held of delegates from the American Jewish community to that session out of which is to be born the permanent Jewish body."

This resolution of course was not accepted by the B'nai B'rith because it meant they would not be in a position to protect the sovereignty of the Anti-Defamation League, and was defeated in the committee room.

When the emasculated resolution finally adopted was presented that afternoon, the Congress did not take the floor to press its point of view, and as far as the community delegates were concerned they were fighting and lost to a solid front of the national organization.

### Near Revolt Anyway

But even that solid front did not prevent a near revolt. This rebellion reached its high point when Rabbi James G. Heller, of Cincinnati, called the resolution "utterly futile." He said the American Jewish Conference had lost "status and standing." He repeated that the national organizations are "not willing to delegate" their powers to a representative body. He denounced the selfish prerogatives of the national organizations, and he "excepted no one from his indictment." He pointed out that the Conference could not be successful. He said

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### 25 of 45 Places Bar Jews, War Vet Turned Away

**Jewish Post Staff Correspondent**

BURLINGTON, Vt.—Do they or do they not bar Jews at Stowe?

According to the proprietor of the Lodge at Smugglers Notch, they do. "It's true of the whole area, as far as I know," he said, "except for a few farm houses, who put people up."

According to Larry Heyer, president of the Stowe-Mansfield Association, they don't. "It's entirely up to the proprietor as to what is done. Twenty-five places out of 45 here are not restricted to Christian clientele. The association takes no sides in the matter."

According to Mrs. Bull, in charge of the Housing Committee at Stowe, some places are restricted, others are not.

These facts were disclosed after a Jewish

war veteran was refused lodging and recreational facilities at several of the ultra-swank sporting hotels in Stowe.

The Burlington News, crusading in favor of tolerance and an end to the anti-Jewish discrimination, waged a one-man crusade in the controversy this week.

Contacting The Green Mountain Inn for a reservation, a Burlington News reporter claimed he was a prospective skier, and asked for a reservation on March 3. The reservation was approved, and the hotel asked his name.

He gave the name of "Isadore Finklestein." At that point the deal was off. The lodge politely stated that they have a restricted clientele and recommended another place.



## Weak Plan Adopted By A.J. Conference

(Continued from preceding page) that the attitude of the national organizations "condemned any future American Jewish Conference to precisely the same type of immobility from which this one has suffered." He called the present American Jewish Conference "emasculated," and he wanted a call "straight to the Jews of the United States" to form a new body made up only of community delegates.

### Brings Down the House

Heller earned the applause of the house when he declared that it would never be possible to have a successful Conference as long as it was composed both of communities and of national organizations, and he called for a new body from which the national organizations would be excluded.

There was no question either at this point or any other time, about how the delegates felt. They wanted an all-inclusive permanent, democratic body not restricted in scope. They yielded however before the pleas and threats of the national organizations and the knowledge, which these national organizations never permitted to be lost sight of, that the American Jewish community was already highly organized with functioning agencies doing comprehensive jobs in their respective spheres of operation.

So that although Rabbi Heller seemed to sweep the delegates with him, it was a short-lived response. These were not the delegates who cheered wildly at the Waldorf Astoria at the historic first session. These were not the delegates that almost refused to accept the suzerainty of the national organizations at Pittsburgh last year.

In fact in the other sessions too, this same listlessness was more than noticeable. None of the speakers seemed to rouse the audience, and the audience in turn failed to permit the speakers—even Rabbis Silver or Stephen

## Resolution on Organization

The delegates assembled at the Third Session of the American Jewish Conference in Cleveland, Ohio, having received with appreciation a report on the work done to implement the program and purposes of the Conference and recognizing that the problems with which the Conference was created to deal continue to confront the Jewish people with all their urgency and gravity, direct the new Interim Committee which will be elected at this session to continue and intensify the work of the Conference within the purposes defined in the Pittsburgh proposals.

The Interim Committee shall call a fourth session of the Conference at such time and place as it deems advisable, but not later than 15 months from the date of this session.

Where a vacancy exists or where the authority of a delegate is questioned by his community, the Interim Committee shall determine procedure to fill the vacancy so as to insure authorized representation of the community.

It is recognized that there is a widespread demand for an American Jewish organization competent to speak authoritatively for the Jewish community, and since this Conference was not designed as a permanent body, the Interim Committee is directed to explore the possibility of establishing a permanent, democratic, representative, Jewish body in consultation with representative community organizations and through agreement as to the nature and scope of such an organization with existing national organizations, and subject to such agreement, to propose ways and means for bringing such a body into existence.

Wise, to rise to any heights, so that a comparative newcomer to this field—Rabbi Maurice Eisendrath made the most stirring talks of the first two days, at least.

### Try to Amend It

Delegate after delegate rose to his feet to amend the resolution, to give it teeth, to tie the national organizations down, but they were ruled "irrelevant" by Henry Monsky who conducted the session, or wiped off the slate by the "motion to lay on the table" by that astute parliamentarian Louis Lipsky.

One motion introduced by Arnold Ginsburgh, of Philadelphia, would have made the contemplated new organization "all inclusive and given it supervisory power over the national organizations." That too was ruled irrelevant.

Another motion would have eliminated the phrase "and through agreement as to the nature and scope of such an organization with existing national organizations and subject to such

agreement." This too was ruled irrelevant.

Another motion would have made it mandatory that new elections be held in the event no agreement is reached.

Although these and other resolutions were cleared away, during the process certain concessions were gained, at least for the record. Henry Monsky, who previously had said that it might take ten to fifteen years for the evolution of a permanent, democratic all inclusive organization of American Jewry, expressed the hope that the next session of the Conference would also be the first for the new body. He also clarified the point on the word "agreement" by interpreting it to mean that unanimous agreement among the national agencies would not be necessary, although a motion to insert the word "majority" in front of "agreement" was one of those that was opposed and ruled out.

### Fight Ends Suddenly

Although the fight by the delegates continued for three hours, almost to within ten minutes of the close of the session, that last ten minutes saw the will of the delegates and their willingness to continue the discussion evaporate, it was that disintegrating, Lipsky made his motion to lay the amendments on the table, and within less time than would have been thought possible, the resolution had been adopted and the all-important session was over, with the national organizations in complete control once more.

The struggle over the resolution began on Friday at the meeting of the General Committee when a report of the Interim Committee was presented which in effect would have allowed the present Conference to die and would have begun the exploration of the possibilities for a new body limited in scope to the "overseas problems."

It was Mrs. David deSola Pool, former president of Hadassah, who forced a reconsideration of the question by declaring that she had been unable to attend the Interim Committee meeting, the fight continued that afternoon, and a committee was appointed to discuss informally a new resolution. This committee, when it brought back its report, which was drafted by Henry Monsky, had its own controversy when Dr. Israel Goldstein and Irving Miller, members of the committee, declared that Mr. Monsky's draft did not represent the conclusions reached at the discussion. Mr. Monsky then withdrew his version, and a new version was drafted.

By now the limitation of scope of the explorations to overseas problems had been deleted and as a result of this radical change,

## ZIONIST, B'NAI B'RITH RULE THIRD SESSION BY ALLIANCE

Special

CLEVELAND, O.—Leading the opposition to the report of the Interim Committee which would have permitted this session to allow the new Interim Committee to wind up the affairs of the American Jewish Conference were the Zionists. The Zionists were determined at all odds that the Conference go on just as is, and the Zionists, too, were opposed to new elections.

## COMMENTS

By RABBI SAUL WHITE

(Delegate from San Francisco)

The third session of the American Jewish Conference opened in an atmosphere of frustration and doom. The addresses delivered by Rabbis Eisendrath and Monsky did nothing to relieve that sense of helplessness and failure. The national organizations, through their bloc system and caucus, have the Conference bound, sealed and delivered. The delegates who had their ears pinned back a year ago when they clamored for the inclusion of the American Jewish scene and for a permanent Conference are more anxious than ever that this come about. I fear that it will spend itself in the tumultuous applause for every utterance in favor of them. One gets the impression that since the machinery of the Conference is in the hands of the national groups—this overwhelming desire will dissipate itself in the furious applause for all mention of permanency and the American scene, and the delegates will return home as frustrated as they did at the end of the second session.

They want the Conference to instruct the Interim Committee to hold a referendum within a reasonable time on the questions of permanency and the American scene—and for a new election of delegates.

Representatives of communities, and they are in the majority at the Conference, are greatly embarrassed in that they are being perpetuated as delegates—without the consent of the communities. The speeches of the officers of the Conference sound stale—very stale. Their claims as to the achievements of the Conference are wildly exaggerated.

Dr. Monsky—who has been wooed at this and the last session with the same fervor and self-abasement earlier bestowed on Judge Proskauer—plays with the delegates. "I could—if I would—but would I?"

His Sunday speech was the poorest I have heard of him. Even Dr. Robinson, who is always a delight to hear for his carefully thought-out presentation—and his precision of utterance, was floundering in his comment on the Nuremberg trials.

The lesser luminaries who have not appeared at the plenary session but have spoken at committee meetings are giving a better account of themselves. It can be explained by the fact that they are not called upon to engage in public gymnastics of proclaiming

the various organizations once again had to approve it.

This second draft was identical with the version finally adopted by the Conference on Tuesday save for the fourth paragraph. That fourth paragraph (of the second draft) read:

"Out of the experience of this Conference there has been born the conviction that there is need for an American Jewish organization competent to speak authoritatively for the Jewish community. Since this Conference is not designed as a permanent body, the Interim Committee is directed to explore the possibility of establishing a permanent, democratic, representative Jewish

body through agreement as to nature and scope of such an organization with the existing national agencies and representative community organizations, and subject to such agreement to propose ways and means for bringing such a body into existence."

The difference between the second draft and the final draft is in essence that agreement would have been necessary with both the community organizations and the national organizations, but in the final draft all the community organizations got was consultation and no agreement from them was necessary.

An interesting high light as the result of this alliance was that Rabbi Stephen S. Wise, who is president of the American Jewish Congress, was arrayed against Dr. Israel Goldstein, who did most of the fighting at the third session for the Zionist group.

themselves for a permanent, all-inclusive Conference and then argue against the creation of a procedure to bring it about.

Mr. Zar of Yeshiva College and Major Fleischman, who visited the camps of displaced Jews have been listened to with breathless attention. They bring a breath of life to a session where all is determined and delivered at caucuses and negotiations by bloc leaders. Major Fleischman is reminiscent of Saroyan in his lyrical enthusiasm about the remnant of European Jewry.

As of Tuesday, 2 p. m., it is clear that the Conference will struggle along—to another session. It will do nothing more daring than fight feebly for another year of life. I predict it will have a tough time of it.

## Delegates Believe Large Gains Made at Session

CLEVELAND—Regardless of what trained observers and cynics may believe, it is unquestionably true that the delegates to the third session of the American Jewish Conference here felt that a big step forward had been effected when the resolution on the future of the Conference was passed.

The delegates felt that way and they voted that way. The delegates understood that the national agencies had made no little concession when they permitted the reorganization resolution to leave unmentioned anything about limiting the scope of the projected new body to overseas problems.

Exactly what the delegates felt was not defined in the resolution. It is not defined in the fact that a new group of the Preservists form Judaism tent to which carried on. ers have grave conce

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# 'Houston-Like' Alliance Organizes on National Basis Rift in Reform Movement Seen as a Possibility at Biennial

## Congregations Expected Alliance For Preservation of Reform Judaism Formed; To Charge Union Tainted With Zionism Membership in Temples Limited to Upholders of Code

**CINCINNATI**—The possibility of a serious rift in the Reform movement was causing concern here as the meeting of the Biennial Council of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations approached. The meeting, which will be held in Cincinnati March 3-6, was attracting nationwide attention in Reform circles as the Reform movement prepared to fight off attacks on three fronts—in all of which the Zionist viewpoint was involved.

In the major issue, such congregations as that in Baton Rouge, La., was to be the protagonist in the accusation that the Reform movement has become Zionist and must be once and for all rid of that taint. Other congregations like that of Beth Israel in Houston, the Reform Congregation in Lincoln, Neb., and several in other parts of the country are expected to join in the accusation.

This group is now in the process of finding endorsers of its views and is sending out nationally a petition for signatures which would endorse a set of five principles, aimed principally against Zionism, and which would forbid members and rabbis an devery other synagogue official from believing other than the way expressed in the principles.

The second major issue, also tied up with Zionism, is that of the affiliation of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, in the American Jewish Conference. Although the Union has time and again specified that it has taken no stand on the controversial Palestine Resolution of the first session of the American Jewish Congress, anti-Zionists still contend that affiliation with the Conference is tantamount to endorsement of the Conference action demanding Palestine as the Jewish State.

This issue has been carried over since the Conference's first session in 1943, and although it has been considered by the executive committee of the Union, action has been deferred until this Biennial, despite the fact that two additional sessions of the conference, and many months, have intervened.

The third major issue is one that is not expected to arouse too much controversy, although it still remains as an issue. It is in connection with the reintroduction or the emphasis on ceremonialism in the service.

Exactly what form the action of the belligerent group will take is not definitely known, but the fact that a petition for signatures is being circulated by the new group called the Alliance for the Preservation of American Reform Judaism, indicates the extent to which the fight will be carried on. Some reformers have privately expressed grave concern over the situation.

Rabbi Maurice Eisendrath, Director U. A. H. C., has written to his colleagues that the Biennial will be "the most crucial gathering in Reform Jewish history." Declaring that conflicts and controversies that have been simmering within our ranks during the past few years will be placed before the Council, Rabbi Eisendrath said, "There will be debated whether or not The Union shall continue its present policy of neutrality on the issue of Political Zionism, or should

**CHICAGO, Ill.**—Declaring that "certain basic concepts of American Reform Judaism are today in jeopardy," a group patterning its belief on the famous Houston principles, has been organized here which would admit to membership in its American Reform Congregations only those who subscribe to these basic principles.

The group, which elected Bernard S. Gradwohl, of Lincoln, Neb., as chairman, would require that "to strengthen and preserve our basic principles each rabbi, officer and trustee, prior to assuming the duties of his office, would be required to express his adherence to such principles."

Meeting at the Congress Hotel, on Jan. 17, twenty-six individuals voted to seek signatures to a petition from those in agreement. The group adopted the name "Alliance for the Preservation of American Reform Judaism."

### All Parts of U. S. Represented

Attending the meeting were Judge and Mrs. M. C. Sloss, of San Francisco; Robert Rosenbaum and Anthony Schwartz, Philadelphia; Mrs. A. E. Schaar and Julian I. Graff, of Chicago; Mr. and Mrs. Gradwohl, Rabbi Carl N. Herman, West Palm Beach, Fla.; Ralph Miller, Wheeling, W. Va.; Sidney Teiser, Portland, Ore.; I. Edward Tonkon, Dallas, Tex.; Norman Buckner, Pontiac, Mich.; Emanuel Kahn, Piqua, O.; Rabbi Solomon Foster, Springfield, Ill.; Dr. and Mrs. J. J. Ogle, Ashland, Ky.; Dr. J. Forbes, Pontiac, Mich.; George P. Ettenheim, Milwaukee, Wis.; S. M. Leopold and A. J. Weiss, Hammond, Ind.; Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Kuhn, Champaign, Ill.; Rabbi Samuel Hirshberg, Milwaukee, Wis.; Mr. and Mrs. Herbert S. Benjamin, Baton Rouge, La.

The basic principles, although they do not mention Zionism, are unquestionably aimed at the movement.

It has also been said that the petitions are being gathered for presentation at the Biennial Council of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations March 3-6 in Cincinnati, at which time resolutions against the Union by the Baton Rouge Congregations and others for what it alleges is too close support of the Zionist movement and for its decision to stay in the American Jewish Conference which has endorsed a Jewish State in Palestine.

### Organizers Leaders of Anti-Zionism

Those at the Chicago meeting have been leaders of Anti-Zionism in their own congregations and communities.

Reform Judaism take a definite stand for 'pro' or 'anti' Zionism? Delegates will have to consider that if extremists on either side should win the victory, it may well lead to a schism in our Reform ranks, and divide our house against itself. Other matters to be discussed include the adoption of ceremonialism, the revival of the Kiddush and Sabbath lights, etc."

### Shapiro Wins \$1,000 Gershwin Memorial

**NEW YORK**—Harold Shapiro, 25-year-old Harvard graduate from Newton Center, Mass., has been voted the winner of the \$1,000 prize in the annual George Gershwin Memorial Contest, sponsored by Victory Lodge of B'nai B'rith, it was announced here by Leonard Bernstein, chairman of the judges' committee. The world premiere of Shapiro's work will be given by the Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra under Mr. Bernstein's baton at the B'nai B'rith Victory Lodge Gershwin Memorial Concert at Carnegie Hall on March 16.

### Start Matzos Shipment

**NEW YORK**—The first in a series of shipments of more than 2,500,000 pounds of matzos and other Passover supplies for 1,400,000 Jewish survivors in Europe from the Jews of America was enroute overseas this week according to the UJA.

The five "basic principles" are:

1. We affirm our belief in the Unity of God. Our watchword is, "Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God, the Lord is One."

2. We accept as binding, as do all Jews, the moral laws expressed by Moses and in the teachings of the Prophets, but we do not regard as obligatory those traditional laws and customs which are not in consonance with contemporary standards and needs. In connection with our religious services we maintain that we shall use such ritual and ceremonies as symbolize in effective and beautiful form, the principles of our faith and which are adapted to the progressive and liberal spirit of our times.

3. We recognize that it is our hallowed duty to speed the coming of the Brotherhood of Man under the Fatherhood of God, which is the Messianic ideal for which all righteous human beings work and pray; and we believe that only in such universal moral evolution in man will those of Jewish faith find the answer to their historic problems.

Identification as Jews is determined solely on the basis of their acceptance of Judaism. The national and political affiliations of Jews are those of loyal citizens of the respective countries which are their homes. We are neither a nation nor a race. We are a religion only. We stand for the continuation of Judaism and Jewish identity solely as a religion, and not as a national or racial group. We stand unequivocally for the continued separation of Church and State. We, in this country, have no nation except the United States, and no nationality except American. We consider it our sacred duty to help our coreligionists in all parts of the world whenever and wherever the need may arise, even as we must help all mankind who may be in need in accordance with the principles of our faith. Our responsibility is to work together with the citizens of all nations, to the end that all individuals be guaranteed full rights of citizenship in their respective nations in accordance with the international Bill of Rights of the United Nations Organization.

5. Since religion is the only distinction of the Jew, we affirm our fundamental belief that in all communal or civic activities, not of a religious nature, those of Jewish faith should participate as individual American citizens and not as a secular minority group. We maintain that Jews are not a secular group and we deplore any attempt to constitute them as such.

**Eisendrath on 'Message of Israel'**  
**CINCINNATI, O.**—Dr. Maurice N. Eisendrath, Director of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, will be the guest speaker during March on the "Message of Israel" broadcasts over the network of the American Broadcasting Company Sunday mornings 10 to 10:30 a.m. (E.S.T.)

## New Bodys Wants Jews, Arabs to Cooperate

**WASHINGTON**—More than 750 people attended a mass meeting here this week called to support Arab-Jewish cooperation in Palestine. The meeting was arranged by an organization called the "Progressive Association," and was attended by M. Khairy, head of the Arab Office in Washington.

Principal speakers at the gathering, which was held at the Interior Department Auditorium were: Adrian Schwartz, president of the new organization, said to be connected with the Hashomer Hatzair Party of Palestine; I. F. Stone, correspondent of the newspaper PM; and William H. Stringer, Washington correspondent of the Christian Science Monitor.

The speakers demanded that Jews and Arabs should have the right to enter and live in Palestine "up to the capacity of the country to support them." They emphasized that Arab-Jewish cooperation is necessary for Jewish freedom and Arab social emancipation, and urged the protection and encouragement of the cooperative and labor movements in Palestine. The importance of carrying out the Lowdermilk plan to lay "the basis for a new era of Arab-Jewish joint construction" was also stressed.

## Chaplains' Aid to Jews Subject of Pamphlet

**NEW YORK**—A pamphlet telling the unique story of the heroic work of the Jewish chaplains in the American forces on behalf of the persecuted Jews of Europe has been published by the National Jewish Welfare Board. The pamphlet is illustrated by photographs from Buchenwald and other points and is based on letters from the chaplains themselves.

## Weizmann to Arrive For Inquiry Hearing

**JERUSALEM**—Dr. Chaim Weizmann, president of the Jewish Agency, is scheduled to arrive here by plane this week. Dr. Weizmann intends to testify at the hearings of the Anglo-American inquiry committee on Palestine, which will be held here next month.

Mrs. Cecelia Razovsky Davidson, immigration authority and former specialist of the UNRRA displaced persons division, has left for Europe by plane to join the European staff of the Joint Distribution Committee.



## To Discuss Reform's Future

A Town Meeting discussion on The Policy and Program of Reform Judaism will be a highlight of the 39th Biennial Council of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations to be held in Cincinnati from Sunday through Wednesday, March 3-6. Participants will be (upper row, left to right): Rabbi Joshua Loth Liebman of Boston and Rabbi Irving Reichert of San Francisco. (Lower row, left to right): Isaac S. Heller of New Orleans and M. M. Dannenbaum of Houston, Texas. Roger W. Straus of New York (center) will be the moderator at the Town Meeting.

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## World Jewish Body Possibility in Meeting

**Special**  
LONDON—The Anglo-Jewish Association, the English counterpart of the American Jewish Committee, this week announced that a number of Jewish communities in various parts of the world will send delegates to a conference in London to examine the future of European Jewry. The conference has been arranged by the Anglo-Jewish Association in cooperation with the American Jewish Committee, and will open on Feb. 23.

The proceedings of the conference will be held in camera, the announcement said. Among the organizations attending will be the Board of Deputies of British Jews, the Alliance Israelite Universelle, the Central Representative Council of French Jewry, the Council of Australian Jewry, the Jewish Central Committee of Poland, the Jewish Consistory of Belgium, the Federation of Jewish Communities in Czechoslovakia, the Jewish Consistory of Bulgaria, as well as the Jewish communities of Rome, Stockholm, Budapest and Buenos Aires.

(In New York it was announced that the delegation of the American Jewish Committee will include Judge Joseph M. Proskauer, president; Jacob Blaustein, chairman of the executive committee; Edward A. Norman, vice-chairman of the foreign committee; and Dr. John Slawson, executive vice-president.)

The resolutions which the conference will adopt will not be binding on the bodies attending the gathering. A full exchange of views will take place among the delegations, which will also compare methods of fighting anti-Semitism with a view toward coordinating defense activities in the various countries. Other problems scheduled for discussion include rehabilitation of Jewish communal and cultural life in Europe, repatriation of Jewish refugees and indemnification for Jewish property confiscated and looted during the Nazi occupation of many European countries.

## Camps in Palestine Prepared for Nazi POWs

JERUSALEM—Despite Jewish protests, and Chief Secretary John Shaw's assurances that German prisoners of war would not be brought to Palestine to work on military installations, camps are being prepared for the Nazis, it was learned this week.



## As Hussein Returns to Palestine

As the crisis continues in the Palestine area, Emir Abdullah Ibn Hussein is shown arriving at the Tel Aviv airport in Palestine. He was exiled 9 years ago for his part in the riots against the Jews in Palestine at that time.

## Tells Methodist Youth 8 Sororities Agree To Read Berger's Book To 'Rush' Jews Too

**Special**  
KINGSTON, Pa.—Posing the question whether it was understandable for the Arab people to feel strongly over Zionist agitation and insistence that a state be made for and by them in a country which had been Arab for centuries, Dean Worth Howard of the American University in Cairo asked how this country would like it if Russia suggested the United States turn Vermont back to the Indians.

Speaking before the Institute of the Youth Methodist Fellowship last week Dean Howard strongly recommended Rabbi Elmer Berger's book "The Jewish Dilemma" in which Berger opposes the Zionist state.

Howard whose talk consisted in asking a lot of pointed questions said, "And what can be expected of a small, hilly country, with small rainfall? How much of a sudden increase in population can it take care of? How wise is it to create a state in antagonistic surroundings? Isn't the creation of new states something of an anachronism? How necessary is it for a group of people with a unifying religion to have a political entity as essential to that religion's well-being?"

**Special**  
BURLINGTON, Vt.—Eight sororities at the University of Vermont have voted unanimously against racial or religious discrimination in "rushing" on the campus.

A definite change in sorority policies at UVM was foreseen with rushing free of rules which separate Jewish and Gentile girls in sorority life. Open house and informal parties, the latter on invitation, have been open to all religious sects.

Agreeing on open rushing and pledging were Alpha Chi Omega, Alpha Xi Delta, Alpha Epsilon Phi, Delta Phi Epsilon, Delta Delta Delta, Kappa Alpha Theta, Phi Beta Phi and Sigma Gamma.

## Date Set For Trial For Smith, Others

**Special**  
CHICAGO—Charges of inciting to riot against Rev. Arthur M. Terminiello, the "Father Coughlin of the South," and Fred Klister, followers of Gerald L. K. Smith, were set last week for hearing by a jury in the Chicago Municipal court on March 4. Additional charges of disorderly conduct against them and Smith will be heard at the same time.

After the meeting in Judge Scheffler's chambers, Smith declared:

"I think the arrests were caused by outstanding Communists in the city, and that there was a conspiracy by 50 to 100 men whom we intend to name."

Attorney Maximilian St. George, representing the three men, said he intended to bring civil and criminal court actions against those behind the alleged conspiracy.

## Bavaria Would Repay Jews for Nazi Fines

**Special**  
MUNICH—The Bavarian Government has announced that it has set aside 2,000,000 reichmarks to make restitution to 3,000 or 4,000 Jews in Bavaria who were fined by the Nazi Government, following the assassination of Ernest vom Rath by Herschel Grynszpan, in Paris in 1938.

The money represents only a fraction of the fine levied on the Jews in Germany after the killing of vom Rath. Refunds will be made only to those who can produce evidence that they paid the fine.

## Quebec's Newspapers Foil Attempt Of Mayor to Push Through Deal On Pretext of Thwarting Jews

By DAVID KIRSHENBLATT  
Jewish Post Staff Correspondent

QUEBEC, Que.—A new outburst of anti-Semitism has occurred in the City Council here.

In a clear-cut move to forestall an alleged attempt by the Quebec Jewish Community to erect a hostel in the residential Upper-Town, the Council voted \$59,000 to be spent for the establishment of a playgrounds upon property which the Jewish group were supposed to have wanted.

However, a categorical denial by community president O. Miller that the Jews planned to erect a hostel, poses an enigmatic question. Mayor Asks Newspapers To Keep Silent

What's all the more embarrassing in the present situation is that the introduction of the Jewish bogey has been charged to Mayor Lucien Borne.

Mayor Borne, in telling of the purported plan of the Jewish group, had asked newspapermen present to refrain from reporting the occurrence—which much to his surprise backfired when he picked up the four local newspapers the following day!

The erection of a playgrounds as a pretext with which to foil the Jews ironically recalls a similar episode two years ago when the Council tried to prevent the community from building a synagogue in the same ward by enacting prohibitive by-laws and finally choosing the synagogue-site for a proposed playgrounds extension.

However the synagogue was constructed after the local community triumphed in Quebec courts in contesting the validity of the impeding by-laws.

The question evoked national attention after an abortive arson attempt was made to destroy the synagogue on the eve of the dedication ceremonies.

One view expressed here, since the community disclaims any knowledge of the hostel, is that the Jewish bogey might have been purely introduced in an off-the-record manner so as to hoist the value of the property in question. The property and the comparatively small lot upon which it is situated is valued at around \$30,000. Newspaper Editorials Attack Administration

The Quebec Chronicle-Telegraph wondered editorially "Has the City Council started off on another anti-Jewish program?"

At the Committee meeting aldermen declared that the building of a park is unnecessary as there already exists one with more facilities than necessary for the few children of that ward who remain in the city over the summer months.

And the Chronicle-Telegraph quipped in its editorial: "If the Administration is going to create parks everywhere gossip credits the Jews with desiring to build, the city will be dotted with them before long. Certainly owners of building lots will realize that they only have to start a Jewish scare going in order to be sure of making a profitable sale to the municipality, and will be certain to take full advantage of the situation."

## Accountants, Engineers Earn More Than Doctors

**Special**  
PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—Milton Friedman of the University of Minnesota and Simon Kuznets of the University of Pennsylvania have completed a study for the National Bureau of Economic Research that shows certified public accountants and consulting engineers make more money than lawyers, doctors or dentists.

## Tells Jews Not to Carry Chips on Shoulders

**Special**  
JERSEY CITY, N. J.—Rev. Lester Bossard, pastor of the Lafayette Reformed Church here, advised the Jews "not to carry chips on your shoulders, but be yourselves."

Addressing the Women's Division of the American Jewish Congress, Rev. Bossard said better understanding of minority problems can help build a better world, particularly if persons with prejudice learn that the characteristics they belittle in certain minorities are to be found characteristic of all peoples.

## 250,000 Pounds of Food Shipped

**Special**  
NEW YORK—Nearly 250,000 pounds of food have been sent to Europe since Jan. 1 (1946) by the Committee for Overseas Relief Supplies affiliated with the World Jewish Congress and American Jewish Congress. Also sent were 600,000 vitamin tablets, 123,000 pounds of clothing and eleven cases of medicaments, each case weighing 160-200 pounds. Nearly 10,000 pounds of clothing were also sent to Shanghai.

## U. S. Mission Finds 425,000 Jewish Books

**Special**  
BERLIN—A special mission of the United States Library of Congress has discovered two storehouses jammed with more than 425,000 volumes of Jewish literature, which had been seized by the Gestapo all over Europe and sent there.

Twenty-five thousand books were found in a basement of the former Orthodox Synagogue, which is again being used as a house of worship, despite extensive damage. The volumes, which included prayer books, literature and old Jewish newspapers, were in poor condition.

At the former Free Mason's lodge, which had apparently been the main Gestapo collection center, over 400,000 volumes were discovered. Included among these documents and books were collections stolen from the libraries of Andre Maurois, noted Jewish author; Artur Rubinstein, world renowned Jewish concert pianist, and many famous private and public collections of Jewish books.

In an interview with a JTA correspondent, Dr. J. Zuckerman, who heads the mission, urged the formation of a Jewish committee to claim the books. He declared that the books should be kept intact and used to establish a special Judaica library, or be given to the Hebrew University in Jerusalem.

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### Jerusalem as Probers to See It

Sights like this will greet members of the Anglo-American Commission on Palestine when it visits the Holy Land late this month or early in March. Coils of barbed wire are shown protecting a police station where armed guards are on duty 24 hours a day.

A Weekly Digest of

## The Yiddish Press

By RABBI BENJAMIN SCHULTZ

#### Russia Accused As Against Palestine

Moscow spreads "poison" against Jews to all Moslem countries, says a Journal cable. Russian broadcasts—in Arabic—oppose opening Palestine's doors. Truman is attacked, for wanting 100,000 Jews to enter. His request is termed "reactionary." For, "U. S. fascists fear America may have to admit refugees," if the Holy Land stays closed.

"This is not the first time" that this radio has so spoken, states the Journal.

New York's Yiddish Freiheit (Communist) demands "the independence of Palestine." Replies the Day, "We know what this means, regardless of dialectics." And it concludes, "Soviet support for the Arab side is by no means unlikely"—a masterpiece of understatement.

#### Jewish Children Stay in Poland

Zionists are a majority of Polish Jews. They want their children to leave Poland. Thus, Sweden offered to take a number, for a while. But this was stopped by the Communists, who seem to be boss. And the children can't leave (Day).

#### Background Given

##### On "Wasteland" Author

Cleveland is wild over a Jewish girl, writes the Day. Joan Sinclair has just won the \$10,000 Harper prize, for her novel, "Wasteland." It is the story of a Jewish immigrant family. Her real name is Ruth Seid. She is 33, and came to Cleveland from Brooklyn, at 3. Very short, with blond hair cut boyish, she uses no makeup, is strongly built, and wears a uniform of the Red Cross, where she is publicity director. She did not always have a job. After learning to type, she was given \$10 a week by a nameless wealthy man, who saw genius there. \$5 she gave to her folks. "Friends brought me paper, pens, stamps, cigarettes, and tickets to concerts." She did not despair.

#### Cayton Honored As D.C. Chief Justice

Forty-six-year-old Nathan Cay-

ton is the new Chief Justice of the District of Columbia Court of Appeals. He was a judge at 28. In Washington, Attorney General Clark said in Court, "That three Presidents of our country have appointed him Associate Judge, shows the greatness of his personality." Cayton knows Hebrew. His mother, who wept at the ceremony, was president of the local women's Mizrahi group. (Journal).

#### Press Unanimous On Conference Scope

Forward's Zivion wants to know—why go to all the expense of having an American Jewish Conference. "All the big-shots are the same as the Zionists' big-shots, and as those of the American Jewish Congress and the World Congress." Same men, popping up always. Dingal (Day) indirectly replies by reminding us the Conference got "hundreds of communities" interested in Jewish life, as communities. The entire press agrees: The Conference must take in the American scene as its interest—or the Conference dies. I have seen attacks against the Conference. I have seen defenses. I have not seen anyone that differed with this statement. Writers are unanimous.

#### What's Wrong

##### With Our Charity?

I can't understand, writes a Journal correspondent, why we don't give charity, without a banquet. "Is our heart so dulled, that we are unable to save our own flesh and blood, without a good dinner?" He accuses us of demanding first, a good time for ourselves. He also finds fault with the guests of honor. In a truly embarrassing way, this man speaks out. We've got to have Gentiles to speak! Got to have their endorsement—for a Jewish campaign. "Haven't we enough confidence in ourselves? Are we not slapping ourselves in the face? Where is our self-respect?"

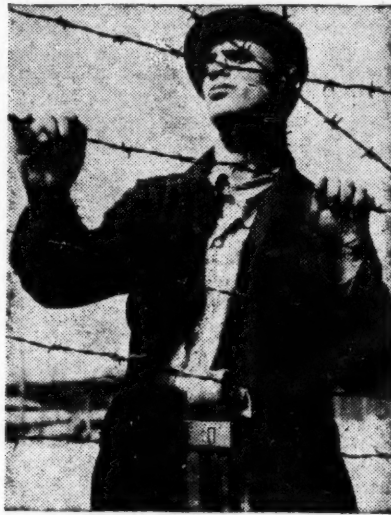
#### Jews Still

##### "Second-Class"

After the Civil War (H. Lieberman, Forward), Jews were accused by some of not having (Continued on Next Page)

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## Lewis on Books

By DR. THEODORE N. LEWIS

THE Children's Passover for the old, who like children, are Haggadah" (a Shiloh Publication), freely translated by Ben-Ami Scharfstein, and richly illustrated by Siegmund Furst, is a beautiful volume. The detailed description as to the Seder ritual, the fine format and the excellent English, made it a volume which any child will treasure, and which will increase the inspiration and joy of the Passover festival.

Since the translation is free, no one can quarrel with the rendition of the Hebrew text. What is highly noteworthy, of extreme significance, is the failure to translate, even freely, a large portion of the traditional Haggadah. Instead of relating in English the full record of the sufferings of the Israelites in Egypt and the plagues the Egyptians endured, the editor substitutes a large collection of beautiful Passover legends, taken from the Midrashic literature. The legends are of high merit, and more significant than the portion of the traditional text they are designed to place.

I, FOR ONE, have no objection to such arrangement. As a matter of fact, I heartily welcome and approve it. What I note with keen regret is the fact that the editor lacked the courage to exclude those portions of the traditional Haggadah which he did not deem worthy even of a free translation, which not only children but many adults find, to put it mildly, anything but edifying. Just why retain such passages in the Haggadah? When Dr. Mordecai Kaplan published a New Haggadah, and substituted Midrashic material for some of the accepted text, he was bitterly denounced, as was the ritual he prepared for some of the accepted text, he was bitterly denounced, as was the ritual he prepared for the Seder. This Children's Haggadah does precisely the same, but not in a forthright manner, which is unfortunate.

No matter how attached one may be to the traditional liturgy and prayer patterns of our people, to ignore the disturbing fact that they leave the overwhelming majority of American Jews cold and indifferent, that they often create even negative attitudes, is to invite continued disintegration and inevitable religious disaster.

This observation, of course, does not alter in any way the charm and the beauty of this Children's Haggadah, which will help make Passover a more inspiring festival, and more meaningful, not only for young but

far more interested in the "kneidlach" than in the Hagaddah.

"THE PALESTINE YEAR BOOK," a publication of the Zionist Organization of America, is more than the name indicates, more than a review of events in Eretz Israel from July, 1944, to July, 1945. It is a comprehensive study and analysis of Jewish life in Palestine, touching every aspect of Jewish achievement and progress in the land, and of the Yishuv.

The address of David Ben-Gurion on "The Only Solution of the Jewish Problem" will prove challenging. The "solution" is, of course, none other than the establishment of a Jewish State in Palestine, which alone will end the two thousand year agony of Jewish homelessness. All other panaceas are just illusions, and nothing else.

The survey by the well-known statistician, Jacob Lestchinsky on the status of Jews in 1945, should be made required reading for all Jews, and especially for those who are optimistic about a revival of Jewish life in Europe. The destruction of European Jewry, statistically described according to country, graphically portrays how vast a cemetery Europe has become for the Jews. It justifies the author's tragic conclusion that this "physical catastrophe... decreased considerably our chances of Jewish survival in the Diaspora, and potentialities for a radical solution of the Jewish problem."

"PALESTINE'S ABSORPTIVE CAPACITY" is practically unlimited, and author, David Hurwitz, who discusses the question, proves it. The only obstacle is the marked opposition of the British, which will be defeated, as it must. The issue is one of life and death, not only for the thousands of Jews who survived Hitler, but also for the Jewish people.

Under "Survey of Progress," the fifth division, the specific economic achievements of the year are described at length. Most unique is the compilation of Hebrew books published in Palestine during the year. The list fills fifteen pages. And four more pages are required to name all the newspapers and periodicals which appear in Eretz Israel, of course, in the Hebrew language. This literary output of a Jewish community of 600,000 souls presents a remarkable contrast with the literary tastes and habits of the close to five million American Jews! What a commentary upon our Jewish life, and Judaism!

The "Palestine Year Book" is a mine of information upon every important aspect of Zionism and Jewish life, including Arab politics and economics, to which

an entire section is devoted. It is a reference book to be used regularly and with great profit, and one which every home and library should possess.

## YIDDISH PRESS

(Continued from preceding page) fought. "The Jews make the uniforms but do not wear them."

Finally, in 1896, the Jewish War Veterans were organized. Through the Spanish War, and World Wars I and II, they have existed, largely, to combat the same lie. Lieberman declares they are eternally necessary.

Nevertheless, we are still "second class citizens," even in America. So declares Forward's A. Ginsberg. He cites the fact there is not ONE full Jewish professor of medicine in any New York college. And we all know the hundreds of medical authorities that we have in the metropolis.

## Anti-Semite Advertises In Atlanta Paper

The respected "Atlantic Constitution" has run a blatantly anti-Semitic ad. On Feb. 5 D. Hamilton Brackett advertised in effect: If you voters elect me Congressman, I promise to segregate Jews as a race; to investigate whether Henry Morgenthau took graft; and to prevent Jews from changing their names, and from thereby hiding from Gentiles that they are members of a people who conspire against them, and wield secret power. The Day's S. Dingal asks two questions. Does the "Constitution" think it right to spread this hatred? Also—where are the Jews of Atlanta?

## Orthodox Through

## Two Centuries in U.S.

She was an aristocrat, a D.A.R. Her ancestors lived in New York when George Washington was very young. Her father helped found the American Red Cross. But Mrs. N. Taylor Phillips, who died recently, kept Kosher, observed the Sabbath, and never missed going to her Orthodox Shul (Forward). Nor did her husband, who also dated back here two centuries. Public-spirited, thoroughly integrated in American soil and the Democratic Party politics, and patriotic groups, Mrs. Phillips was an example of an Orthodox woman of Sephardic origin who proved that Judaism is undying. She also was a founder of Hadassah, and an active Zionist.

## Shulberg's "Sammy" In New Reprint

Too bad Bud Shulberg's "What Makes Sammy Run" is being reprinted—in the cheap 25-cent paper edition, complains the Day's Abe Gordon. For that proves it was popular. And the book is "anti-Semitic," though written by a Jew—a Jew who looks Jewish. So little good did it do us, he continues, that the Nazis serialized it, with pictures, during the war. Why was it written? Gordon hints the profit motive. "I guess it takes Jews to dish out the real anti-Semitic stuff."

## Between You and Me

By BORIS SMOLAR



A MULTITUDE of no less than 125 national and overseas agencies are now appealing to Jewish federations and welfare funds for allocations. . . . This fact was revealed in Detroit at the General Assembly of Council of Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds by Jacob Blaustein, chief defender of the proposal to introduce national advisory budgeting. . . . The proposal was not accepted, but the issue is not dead, and may come up again.

... This is because many of the delegates who voted against national budgeting on instructions from their local federations have personally, in private conversations, expressed themselves in favor of such budgeting. . . . All observers at the General Assembly agreed that the proposal was defeated because the opposition did a better organizing job than the proponents of the budgeting plan. . . . Though Mr. Blaustein's presentation of the case was acknowledged even by the opposition to be excellent, he himself was apparently aware of the fact that his group was not as well organized as the opponents of the proposal. . . . This could be seen from his address, in which he emphasized that the outcome of the vote would not really decide the merits of the proposal. . . . What he especially emphasized was the fact that he was convinced that the proposal "is not a threat to Zionism or to any other ideology."

... Another point which he stressed most emphatically was that the communities, and not the Council of the Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds, would select the national advisory budgeting committee. . . . The debate on national advisory budgeting was conducted at the Detroit conclave on the highest level and in a spirit of goodwill. . . . But the lesson of the voting on the issue will not pass unnoticed by the leaders of the Council of the Jewish Federations and Welfare Funds. . . . For the first time in the existence of the Council, they were faced at the General Assembly with a competitive list of candidates in the elections for the Board of Directors. . . . It is true that the list was defeated, but it is also true that behind this list were the same elements who fought so hard, and succeeded, against the national advisory budgeting plan. . . . The fact that this group failed this year in the elections does not mean that it will fail next year. . . . And it stands to reason that next year this very same group will come to the elections better organized, and with more elaborate propaganda. . . . Thus the present administration of the Council, having learned what good propaganda did for the opposition in winning the fight against national budgeting, will now have a full year's time to prepare itself against the possibility of competition in the elections at the next General Assembly. . . . The most remarkable thing is the fact that the lowest number of votes for any of the Council's candidates was 226, while the competitive list could hardly get 130 votes for Dr. James G. Heller. . . . Ezra Shapiro, the chairman of the Committee To Oppose National Budgeting, received only 108 votes, and Rabbi Stephen S. Wise not more than 78 votes. . . . But Rabbi Hillel Silver, who was running on both lists, received 331 votes. . . .

And Edward M. M. Warburg, who was similarly named on both lists, topped every other candidate by receiving 334 votes. . . .

The foundation for the \$100,000 campaign of the United Jewish Appeal will be laid this Sunday, Feb. 24, in Washington at a conference which will be addressed by Bernard Baruch. . . . Only those who will contribute not less than \$25,000 for the U.J.A. have been invited to this conference. . . . We can tell you in advance of at least one \$1,000,000 donation and one \$500,000 which will be made at this conference by two prominent Jewish families. . . . But there will probably be other such generous donations announced there. . . . Among those present at the gathering will be the largest Jewish donors from all parts of the country. . . . Following the Washington conference, the U.J.A. will arrange regional conferences of a similar nature for givers of less than \$25,000. . . . And speaking of generous givers, it is worthwhile telling you the story of how one of them, Ralph Lazarus, the well-known New York philanthropist, reunited a stranded little boy in France with his mother in this country. . . . One day Lazarus, while lunching in a midtown restaurant in New York, noticed that the waiter who was serving him appeared very sad and depressed. . . . He asked him what was the matter. . . . The waiter replied that his wife had a child by a former marriage, whom she had sent to visit her parents in France before the war, and he had gotten stuck there. . . . She had not seen him in six years and was inconsolable. . . . Mr. Lazarus, who is a member of the board of the JTA, enlisted the aid of the head of the agency. . . . In addition, the New York Post took up the cudgel for Jacques Gallizia, the little boy stranded in France. . . . The story attracted quite a bit of attention, and very soon, it was possible to cut through the red tape incumbent upon the issuance of a passport for the child. . . . The JTA representative in Paris communicated with the Embassy and succeeded in securing the passport and the French exit visa. . . . Jacques Gallizia is now one of the passengers aboard the Gripsholm, which is on the high seas en route to the United States. . . . Mr. Lazarus, who paid for the transportation, will, in a few days, be able to unite mother and son. . . .

## GENEROSITY NOTES

Much is still to be written about the horrors of the Nazi extermination camps by some of the survivors. . . . And more and more details will be told of these camps of torture and annihilation by eye-witnesses. . . . Among the books on Nazi ruthlessness against Jews is "Experiment E" by Leon Szalet, just published by Didier Publishers. . . . It is the story of a Polish Jew in the Sachsenhausen concentration camp. . . . The author tells of hunger, cold, blows, kicks, torture, premeditated murder. . . . He describes how the Gestapo administration in the camp was determined to annihilate the professors and other intellectuals from Poland who were brought to the camp. . . . He tells how the Nazi guards took special pleasure in torturing Jews on Jewish holidays. . . . He tells of the attempts to escape made by some of the inmates. . . . He introduces a gal-

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# Strictly Confidential

By PHINEAS J. BIRON

## True Story

ALMOST two years ago, Sam Morganstern the composer and Harry Granick the writer, inspired by the epic of the battle of Warsaw, created the symphonic poem "The Warsaw Ghetto." . . . These two American artists who are also responsible for the choral cantata "The Common Man" searched in vain for a producer to present the ghetto symphony. . . . They knocked at the doors of virtually every Jewish organization and were turned down. . . . Finally they approached Joe Brainin, who in turn interested Dean Dixon's ninety-piece American Youth Orchestra. . . . And so it came about that on Sunday, Feb. 10, in Carnegie Hall took place the world premiere of the "Warsaw Ghetto" by an interracial symphony orchestra conducted by Dean Dixon the Negro maestro.

## Question Period

How come that "The Committee for the Defense of Civil and Religious Liberty in the Americas" omitted the name of Lisa Sergio in the list of reliable radio commentators? . . . "A Hero Comes Home" written by Jean Karsavina is a play that really tackles anti-Semitism at home. . . . Why doesn't a Broadway producer pick it up? . . . It would be interesting to find out why Polish War Relief, Inc., which collects sizable sums, does not carry out a large relief action in Poland? . . . Is the American Jewish Congress liquidating its Institute of Jewish Affairs and substituting the Petagorsky Information Service? . . . Is it true that the Eastern Slope Hotel in North Conway, N. H., which does not admit Jewish guests is owned by Harvey D. Gibson, head of Manufacturers Trust?

## Communal Front

Many of the large Jewish central organizations, especially the civic protective agencies, are now taking on huge and expensive projects and places. . . . But it remained for the ambitious American Jewish Congress to take over an entire department of the Canadian Government. . . . This is the Canadian War Information Service, which with the end of the war the Canadian Government abandoned and which the former director of that Service, Dr. David Petagorsky, has now brought with him from Toronto to New York and persuaded the American Jewish Congress to take over. . . . Thus the new educational division of the Congress will hereafter publish many pamphlets, leaflets, charts, illustrated booklets, wall newspapers and bulletins on Jewish subjects in exactly the form and shape of the Canadian Government publications down to the size of the booklets, the type of the illustrations and the color of the covers.

## Correspondence

Mr. S. of Philadelphia writes us. . . . "A group of young Jews who recently established their homes in a suburb of Philadelphia and who are unaffiliated with any synagogue, decided that it would be a good idea to build a community house and to run it on a non-sectarian basis. . . . With that end in view they approached a number of their non-Jewish neighbors and suggested that the entire community co-operate in the erection of the house. . . . And the reply they got was this: 'If you are interested in merely building a social hall we will oppose you—but if you make it a house of prayer we'll help you.' . . . From Nanette H. Bernstein, Editor of Civic Leader: 'Can you give us any information as to what Senator Bilbo did in the First World War? Also what members of his family did insofar as service in World War II is concerned?' . . . A complete biography of Senator Bilbo was published two months ago in the New York Post.

## Hats Off to General Greenbaum

Before Secretary of War Robert P. Patterson delivered his prepared speech at the Thirty-Ninth Annual Meeting of the American Jewish Committee he paid a magnificent tribute to Brigadier General Edward Greenbaum who served as his aide for five years. . . . General Greenbaum was the first chairman of the American Jewish Committee's Survey Committee. . . . Addressing General Greenbaum who sat at his left, Secretary Patterson said: "My debt to General Greenbaum can never be stated. . . . He forsook his pursuits here in New York for five long years and served as a soldier and the Nation owes him a great deal for the very effective part he played toward winning the war. . . . I think he got very sick of seeing me because we saw one another day in and day out all day for those five years. . . . And now at last, two months ago he won relief and is now a satisfied G. I."

## Personalities

Arnold Foster is now the big boss in the executive office of the Anti-Demnation League. . . . Everly Zieger, one of our most dynamic anti-Fascist workers, is now Mrs. Skapier, wife of Dr. Joseph Skapier, brilliant medical scientist working on cancer research. . . . Dr. Skapier hails from Paris. . . . Yes, it's true. . . . Meyer W. Weisgal is chartering a ship to carry two hundred Jewish businessmen to Rechovoth. . . . The reason is the laying of the cornerstone of the Weizmann Institute of Chemistry.

## Agricultural Yeshiva To be Established

Jewish Telegraphic Agency  
NEW YORK—Plans for the establishment of an agricultural and technical Yeshiva High School, the first to be created in

the U. S., were endorsed at an all-day conference here of Jewish farmers from New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and the New England area, according to an announcement by the board of secular education of the United Yeshivos.

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# AL SEGAL Speaks on RABBI CROSBY

SOME of the Protestants have been complaining about the exclusive break the Catholic religion has been getting in the movies. ("Going My Way," "Bells of St. Mary," "Bernadette"). They don't begrudge the Catholic religion these lovely stories but they inquire, isn't there at least one movie story in the Protestants, one in the Jews?

Recently "Time" quoted a Protestant leader. He was hoping that the movies would get around to the brave story of Protestantism, to the nobility of historic Judaism.

I had been thinking in the same direction after sentimental sessions with Father Bing Crosby in "Going My Way" and with Father Bing in "Bells of St. Mary."

Wy, I mused, don't they make a movie about Rabbi Crosby? Gentle Rabbi Crosby worrying about the kids in his neighborhood? Dear Rabbi Crosby taking time out to trouble himself about some strangers, a man and his wife, who had separated and should be getting together on account of their child. Good Rabbi Crosby who makes much of the small troubles among the people in this congregation.

Yes, a movie of Rabbi Crosby! Yet, after I had snapped out of the sweet influences of "Going My Way" and of "Bells of St. Mary," I fell down to the earth with a painful thud. It hurts horribly to be let down that way by the facts. After all, is Rabbi Crosby performing the simple pastoral duties that make a movie about a Catholic priest a refreshing experience?

Rabbi Crosby is away somewhere in the universe and doesn't know much of what's going on next door. He is playing statesman and is concerned with setting the whole world right. Next Sabbath he is giving a sermon on foreign relations.

He feels it is up to him to set the United Nations Organization going right on its way. Rabbi Crosby's eyes are far away from his neighborhood and, after next Sabbath's sermon, his congregation should feel convinced that in him they are privileged to have a rabbi who should be sitting in the State Department.

As a man on whose shoulders rest the destinies of nations, he has little time for the smaller affairs of the people of his congregational circle. They are having plenty of trouble.

This one has come to a break with his wife. That one would like to know what's best to do about his boy who hasn't been going right. A girl is giving her parents some awful heartaches and they would be grateful for some help.

If, in their distress, they ever thought of seeing Rabbi Crosby they dismissed the idea. How could they presume to bother him? Rabbi Crosby is carrying the world on his shoulders. He has this big problem and that to settle, more important than their small pains. Only last week the newspapers reported that he was

deep in the matter of China. He said in a sermon that China was to be the test of the good will of the nations. He challenged the statesmen to meet the test of China.

His distressed members may as well go to the State Department with their private problems:

Rabbi Crosby is so deep. The way he knows all the books! Every once in a while he gives a sermon on the latest book. They are afraid to get close lest they fall into his profundity. Some of them have from time to time heard about Father Cronin of nearby St. Joseph's Church who cares only about people, but, then, a Jew can't feel like taking his troubles to Father Cronin.

Father Cronin worries about people like Pat. Not that Father Cronin is insensitive to the bigger world around him. He would like to see a good, international world established, in accordance with the Sermon on the Mount and its Beatitudes. But he knows that he himself can't do much about that and, in the meanwhile, there's so much to do in his own parish. Regretfully, he leaves the world to the responsible international agencies.

There's Pat who hasn't been treating his family right. He beat his wife black and blue. Father Cronin must be taking Pat in hand. The Murphys are coming to a split in their domestic life and, maybe, Father Cronin can apply his good offices there. He must take steps in the matter of that O'Brien girl.

There's enough to look after in the narrow limits of Father Cronin's parish, however much he would like to give his ideas to the Foreign Policy Association. Father Cronin doesn't disdain his lesser duties to little lives.

I am not comparing Rabbi Crosby with Father Cronin invidiously. Rabbi Crosby is a high-minded gentleman who honestly, if mistakenly, feels he has statesmanlike functions. I can understand Rabbi Crosby: Perhaps this concept of his functions has to do with the messianic complex that is of many of us and which is all to our credit. We want a better world because we know that when the world gets better it will be good for Jews, too.

But Rabbi Crosby's vision is all out of perspective and he misses seeing his main job which has to do with little people; with Levy worried about his son, just out of the Army, who is having a hard time getting himself placed in the world; with Cohen who would like some help in putting together again the chaos of his family life; with Ginsberg who feels horribly troubled on account of one thing or another.

No, it seems there isn't enough for a movie director to bite into in the career of Rabbi Crosby. A movie director does like occasionally to make a picture of the career of a statesman, like Wilson, but, then, in statesmanship Rabbi Crosby can't be classed with Wilson.

There remains historic Judaism for the work of a movie director; that's of long ago and far away. It was the time of rabbis in Europe who knew little of the world beyond their neighbors and their problems.

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## Between You and Me

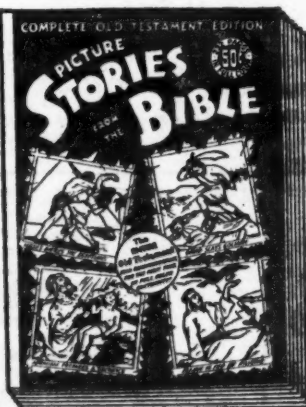
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lery of tough, merciless, brutal Nazis who find great joy in torturing their victims. . . . And he tells of the constant efforts made by his daughter to get him out of the camp. . . . It is due to these efforts that he finally is released. . . . The book deals with the early period of the Nazi concentration camps. . . . The author succeeded in getting out of German hands and in reaching Shanghai shortly before Italy joined Germany in the war against the Allies. . . . He reports his experiences in great detail, thus giving a clear picture of what life was in a Nazi camp, even before the gas chambers were introduced.

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# The Junior Post

For Boys and Girls

By RUTH PALLER

## DANNY AND THE FALASHAS

DO YOU remember Danny Noor the Palestinian boy, whom you met 'n this column last week, when we reviewed the book "The Strange Adventures of Danny Noor?"

Danny wasn't satisfied just to visit the Jewish community of India. He persuaded Musayi's family to let the Indian boy go back with Danny to Palestine, see everything for himself, and report it all back to his own people.

It was a strange procession that reported back to the steamer, the "Eagle's Beak," and the captain laughed as he saw Danny, followed by the Chinese cabin-boy, Chan Fu, and bringing up the rear, the Indian boy. By this time, the crusty old captain had become very fond of Danny and interested in his search for the Lost Tribes of Israel, so he took on Musayi as third cabin boy.

WHEN THE BOAT docked at Djibouti in Ethiopia, the captain discovered from the company agent, that in this country, there were a people called the Falashas, who considered themselves Hebrews.

The agent, who spoke perfect English, offered to take Danny and his friends to see them.

Danny looked questioningly at the captain. But the captain grinned and said, "I, too, go wid you. I want to see, for once, how lost tribes are discovered."

Walking to the train station, Danny looked closely at the natives. They were a little lighter skinned than Negroes but he noticed that they had the same stiff, black, curly hair, thick lower lips and broad, almost flat noses. They were barefoot and bare-headed, and their clothes were most unusual. They wore a white garment wrapped around the body like a sheet with one end thrown back over the shoulder leaving an arm free. On their legs were tight fitting white trousers. The agent Signor Fer-

rini told Danny this Ethiopian dress was called shama. Underneath the men carried their weapons, and Danny could see a crooked sword or dagger in the folds of many shamas.

THERE WAS A two-hour train ride up the mountain Finfinee, and on the way, Signor Ferrini told Danny that the Ethiopian religion has many Jewish connections. The rulers believe they are descended from King Solomon. The King is called NEGUS. His seal is inscribed with the six-pointed shield of David, and his flag bears a lion, the symbol of the tribe of Judah. In the 1600's, there was a king called Zara Ya'eqob who was a Christian. His son, Zaga, gave up his father's religion and became a Jew. With a learned man, named Abba Zabra, the prince built a Jewish house of worship, which stands even today in the mountainous region called LOSO.

After the train trip, the party hired mules and a guide, and rode over the hilly country until at last they saw a group of low, thatched huts before them. This was the Falasha village called Belessa, and its huts sheltered one hundred and fifteen people.

THE FALASHAS looked just like the black Ethiopians Danny had seen all along his journey, and they were dressed in SHAM-AS.

The travellers were greeted by the leader of the community called the DEBTERA ARYEN and, after Danny had proved that he was Jewish, the party was taken to the house of worship. It was a spacious hut with a stone fence around it and a large stone for making sacrifices.

It was the Eve of Succoth when Danny came to the Falasha village and Danny and Musayi were invited to attend the services, while their friends, who were "unbelievers" were ushered to an-

other hut which had been prepared for them. The ABBA JEREMIAS or leader led the men in prayer, but the women and children remained outside.

THERE WAS very little in the service that reminded Danny of the customs of his own people. The Falashas did not have a scroll or SEFER TORAH, but instead, read from a book written in a small ornamental handwriting. Danny learned later that most the prayer books were written in Ge'ez an old Ethiopian language, which had not been spoken since the 13th century. Only the DEBTERA and one or two other religious leaders understood the prayers. They make sacrifices of meat as part of their observance.

The older told Danny, through the interpreter, Signor Ferrini, that the Falashas have been in Ethiopia for a long time. Once there was a Falasha kingdom with the great and good Queen Esther as ruler. There were

many Falasha kings and nobles. But for the last 800 years the Falashas have been oppressed and persecuted in Ethiopia.

Now there are 75,000 souls who observe the Jewish religion, keep the Sabbath and the New Year and are mindful of the words of the Bible.

AS DANNY celebrated Succoth with the Falashas, he felt how strange it was that a white Jewish boy from Palestine, and a brown Jewish boy from India, should be celebrating the festival here with the black Jews of Ethiopia. And he felt how wonderful it was that at this time, Jews all over the world were observing the holiday with prayers, and the color of their skin—black or white, brown or yellow—made no difference in their unity and brotherhood.

Retold from "The Strange Adventures of Danny Noor" by Shelomo Ben Israel. Translated from the Hebrew by Dov Ben-Abba. Behrman House.

until his death. Mielziner was not a voluminous writer but he made several important contributions in the form of writings on the Talmud and Talmudic law, including his rather popular "Introduction to the Talmud."

Henry III Grants Protection to Jews of Speyer. There were a number of privileges allowed the Jews of that old Bavarian community, 1090 these included permission to trade in the harbor in all kinds of goods, and to exchange gold and silver. They received as their special property a burial ground from the estates of the Church. The chief rabbi was given absolute jurisdiction in all cases arising among them, and Jews were permitted to hire Christian servants and nurses and to sell to Christians such meat as they themselves did not use. Henry III confirmed on Feb. 19, 1090, and even extended, grants which had been made to the Jews, in particular to Judah ben Kalonymus, David ben Meshullam and Moses ben Jekuthial. The forcible baptism of any of the children of those specifically mentioned was made punishable by a fine of twelve pounds gold. There were a number of other privileges which were signed by the emperor himself but neither the original charter nor its reenactment proved sufficient to afford the Jews protection.

Favorable Bull of Pope Martin V. The Catholic Church does not claim jurisdiction over persons who have not been baptized; therefore the relations of the popes, as the heads of the church, to the Jews have been limited to rules regarding the political, commercial and social conditions under which Jews might reside in Christian states. As sovereigns of the Papal States the popes had the right to legislate on the status of their Jewish subjects. Voluntary action was occasionally taken by the popes

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## Picture Stories from the Bible

### THE STORY OF JOSHUA

PART SIX

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SO UNDER JOSHUA, ISRAEL WAS GRADUALLY BECOMING A STRONG NATION, AS THEY WON AND WORKED THE LANDS WHICH GOD HAD PROMISED THEM.

THE LORD, YOUR GOD, HAS GIVEN US PEACE, BUT TAKE CARE TO OBEY HIS COMMANDMENTS FOR MOSES TAUGHT US TO LOVE THE LORD AND WALK IN HIS WAYS!

YEARS PASSED AND JOSHUA GREW VERY OLD—ONE DAY HE CALLED THE LEADERS OF ISRAEL TO SPEAK TO THEM—

WHY DID YOU CALL US, JOSHUA?

I AM GETTING OLD—WE MUST TALK TOGETHER FOR I HAVE NOT MUCH LONGER TO LIVE!

ALL MY LIFE THE LORD GOD HAS FIGHT ON OUR SIDE—NOW OUR ENEMIES ARE DESTROYED OR WEAKENED—THOSE WHO REMAIN PAY US ANNUAL TRIBUTE—THE NEW LANDS HAVE BEEN DIVIDED AMONG THE TRIBES OF ISRAEL—BECAUSE OF THESE THINGS, WE MUST BE COURAGEOUS AND EVER LOYAL TO GOD!

CHOOSE THIS DAY WHOM YOU WILL SERVE—THE TRUE GOD OR THE GODS OF THE AMORITES—AS FOR ME, I WILL SERVE THE LORD!

GOD FORBID THAT WE SHOULD FORSAKE THE LORD—WE WILL SERVE THE LORD!

AYE, NOBOD WE SHALL SERVE THE LORD GOD!

AT THE AGE OF 110 YEARS JOSHUA DIED—THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL WERE FILLED WITH GRIEF AT HIS BURIAL—

WHEN JOSHUA DIED, LEADERSHIP IN THE WAR AGAINST THE CANNANITES FELL TO THE TRIBES OF SIMON AND JUDAH—

THE TRIBE OF SIMON MUST LEAD THE ISRAELITES NOW!

YES, UNITED WE CAN CONQUER, BUT OUR CITIES ARE NOT YET FREE FROM DANGER!

WHEN THE SMALL TRIBE OF SIMON AND THE POWERFUL TRIBE OF JUDAH UNITED TO FIGHT, THEIR ARMIES FELT CONFIDENT THAT THEY WOULD WIN—

LET US FIGHT THE CANNANITES AND PERIZZITES AT ONCE!

AND STOP KING ADONI-BEZEK FROM MAKING THOSE RAIDS AGAINST US!

THEY STRUCK FEROCIOUSLY AT BEZEK, THE CITY OF KING ADONI-BEZEK—

THERE GOES THE KING OF THE CITY!

WE HAVE SLAIN TEN THOUSAND MEN THIS DAY—TAKE THE KING ALIVE!

NEXT WEEK: GOD TESTS ISRAEL AGAIN!



## What Foods These Morsels Be

LEAH W. LEONARD

**S**O YOU can't get white flour? Maybe it's a blessing in disguise. Even the "enriched" white flour we are to be deprived of is low in certain minerals that are abundant in whole wheat, rye, corn, soybean and other flours.

Except for the customary Challah—which might take on a light brunette complexion—white flour will be substituted very conveniently in the average Jewish household. Rye bread and pumpernickel will continue to be favorites. And if you should want to bake quick breads at home, here are a few recipes for muffins you'll delight in:

### Corn Meal Muffins

1 cup corn meal, 1 cup sifted flour (any kind), 2 tablespoons sugar, ½ teaspoon salt, 4 teaspoons baking powder, 1 cup milk, 1 egg, 3 tablespoons shortening.

Sift the dry ingredients together. Beat the whole egg, add milk and melted shortening, and stir in the dry ingredients. Mix only till the dry ingredients are dampened. Do not beat. Grease muffin pans and fill ¾ full. Bake 25 minutes at 400° F. Yield: 16 small or 12 large muffins.

**Variation:** Drop about a spoonful of the batter in each muffin pan, add a teaspoon of preserves, chopped prunes, or tart jelly, cover with more batter almost to the top. Bake as above.

### Graham Muffins

2 cups graham flour, ½ teaspoon salt, 2 tablespoons sugar, 1½ teaspoons baking powder, ¾ teaspoon baking soda, 1 egg, 1½ cups sour milk or buttermilk, 3 tablespoons melted shortening, a dash of cinnamon.

Combine dry ingredients, mixing thoroughly. Beat egg, add milk and melted shortening then stir in dry ingredients enough to dampen the flour. Fill well greased muffin pans and bake 25 minutes at 400° F.

### Soybean Muffins

1½ cups flour (any kind), ¾ cup sifted soybean flour, 2 tablespoons sugar, 2 tablespoons melted shortening, 1 teaspoon salt, 2 teaspoons baking powder, 1 egg, ¾ cup milk.

Sift together dry ingredients. Beat egg and stir in milk. Add melted shortening and stir in dry ingredients, enough to dampen all the flour. Turn into greased muffin pans, ¾ full. Bake 20 minutes at 425° F.

### Rye Muffins

1 cup rye flour, 1 cup flour (any kind), 2 tablespoons sugar, ½ teaspoon salt, 3 tablespoons melted shortening, ¾ teaspoon baking soda, 1½ teaspoons baking powder, 1 egg, 1½ cups sour milk, 1 tablespoon caraway seeds.

Sift together dry ingredients. Beat egg and stir in sour milk. Add melted shortening and stir in dry ingredients, adding caraway seeds last. Reserve some of the caraway seeds to sprinkle on top of each muffin. Turn into greased muffin pans and bake 25 minutes at 400° F.

### Vegetable Muffins

2 cups sifted flour, 2 tablespoons sugar, ½ teaspoon salt, 4 teaspoons baking powder, 1 egg, 1 cup milk or tomato juice, 3 tablespoons melted shortening.

Sift together dry ingredients. Beat egg and add liquid. Stir in the sifted ingredients. Heat shortening and beat in last. Fill greased muffin rings almost to the top and bake 20 minutes at 425° F.

**Variation:** To make Spinach Muffins, add ¼ cup flour to the above amount and increase salt to 1 teaspoon. Mix as above and add 1 cup finely chopped spinach to the liquid.

### This Week

(Continued from preceding page) on behalf of the Jews who invoked their aid in times of persecution. The general principles governing the popes in their treatment of the Jews are practically identical with those laid down in the Justinian Code: to separate them from social intercourse with Christians as far as possible, to prevent them from exercising any authority over Christians, either in a public, as officials, or in a private capacity, as masters or employers, and to arrange that the exercise of the Jewish religion should not assume the character of a public function. On the other hand, however, the popes have always condemned, theoretically at least, acts of violence against the Jews

and forced baptism. The excitement of the Church during the Hussite movement rendered the Jews apprehensive. Thus, through Emperor Sigismund, who was heavily indebted to them, they obtained on Feb. 20, 1422, from Pope Martin V, a bull in which their former privileges were confirmed and in which he exhorted the friars to use moderate language. The popes varied in their treatment of Jews and some by interceding for Jews in times of persecution, were instrumental in warding off pogroms and other acts, both physical and otherwise, against Jews.



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## NO CHILD IMMUNE FROM EFFECTS OF RADIO WHICH GLAMORIZES MISDEEDS

By RUTH PALLER

**T**HE discussion was about last week's column about the bad radio serials our children devour so eagerly. One mother pooh-poohed the whole matter.

"Oh, I think you are making too much of the danger. After all the hero or 'good guy' always comes out victorious, and the villain is inevitably punished. That should prove to the children that 'crime doesn't pay'! I'm not going to worry about it."

"But that's where you are wrong," the social worker said. "By the time the villain is punished, his life of crime has been so glamorized, that punishment or no punishment, it is attractive to the imaginative child."

"It's the same thing with movies. Look at what happened with the picture of the life of Dillinger. He died for his misdeeds in the approved fashion. But do you remember the epidemic of juvenile crimes that followed the showing? And do you remember how many of these young bandits admitted seeing the picture and being inspired by it?"

"A child doesn't reason that crime brings punishment. He feels that this particular villain had had bad luck or wasn't clever enough. He'll take the same plan and be more careful, and he won't fail."

**THE FIRST MOTHER** laughed. "Do you mean to say your child or mine is going out to rob a bank or steal a state secret after listening to a crime program or seeing a crime picture? I don't believe it."

"Maybe not yours or mine—but those youngsters who tried to imitate Dillinger belonged to some parents."

"Just because you hold your child's hand on his way to and from school, and can protect him from danger, would you leave an open manhole for another child to fall in?" asked the social worker.

"Here is another angle," said the school teacher. "Our children won't do anything spectacular like robbing banks, but if their ideas of morality are sufficiently weakened by constant exposure to these programs, they will do other children, or they'll become bullies or amounts of money from your purse or from other children, or they'll become bullies or cheats. In school, we can see the results of these radio serials on children from good homes—as good as yours and mine."

"Believe me, it's worth a struggle to get them off the air and have something good substituted."

**YES**, it is the job of every parent, teacher, and social worker to make their combined influence felt by the producers and sponsors of these afternoon radio serials so that they give our children adventure in the worlds of exploration and science and nature, instead of adventure in the underworld. It can be done. Writers and producers clever enough to enthrall our children with the pap they write can thrill them even more with material of quality.

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# Our Film Folks of HOLLYWOOD

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By LEON GUTTERMAN

**T**HEATRE goers who need convincing to join the American Brotherhood are quite likely to be persuaded by "The American Creed," a three-minute twenty-second short produced by David O. Selznick for use during American Brotherhood Week in the United States. Nine motion picture stars make brief, but sincere appeals for the public to sign up for membership in the Brotherhood, an organization for racial and religious tolerance and backed by the National Conference of Christians and Jews. The effectiveness of the film lies mainly in its brevity, but it receives considerable assistance from plain, but intelligent appeals from Eddie Cantor, Ingrid Bergman, Edward G. Robinson, Shirley Temple, Van Johnson, James Stewart, Jennifer Jones, Walter Pidgeon and Katherine Hepburn. Even if you have to go out of your way to see it, it's worth doing so, that's how good this picture is.

Elia Kazan, who did such a brilliant directional job on that hit picture, "A Tree Grows in Brooklyn," (his first film) has been signed to direct "Sea of Grass," starring Spencer Tracy and Melvyn Douglas (as soon as Mel gets into civvies). Elia writes me from New York that he will leave immediately for MGM studios after the opening of his production of Maxwell Anderson's "Truckline Cafe." Elia, believe it or not, is still in his twenties!

Eddie Cantor reports that he has just signed contracts with a Hollywood publisher to re-write and bring up to date his autobiography "My Life Is In Your Hands." The book, to be completed by Fall, will sell on newsstands.

Mickey Roth, the 13-year-old Spokane, Wash., youngster who played George Gershwin as a boy in the recent movie, "Rhapsody in Blue," has taken over another historical role. He will enact Prince Chulalongkorn, who became one of Siam's most enlightened monarchs, in 20th Century-Fox's picturization of the best seller, "Anna and the King of Siam."

Mickey, who resided in Spokane with his mother, Mrs. Rose Toth, before the movies "discovered" him a year ago, is now studying at the King High School in Los Angeles. For the film Mickey has been given a costly wardrobe, including several crowns, and will play opposite Rex Harrison, noted English actor, and Irene Dunne. Director John Cromwell and producer Louie Lighton chose Mickey for the role after testing a score of possibilities. Good luck, kid!

After considerable fussing, Oscar Levant has finally agreed to let himself be "aged" in the final sequences of "Humoresque," now before the cameras at Warner Bros. But, he still doesn't like the idea!

Charlie Cantor, the "Clifton Finnegan" of "Duffy's Tavern," was losing a battle with a bank teller the other day over insufficient identification to warrant the cashing of a check. "Look, fella, I'm Clifton Finnegan of Duffy's," he tried to explain. "Prove it," the teller insisted. Whereupon Charlie gave out with one of his famed "duhs," and the mezuma came flying across the teller's counter!

Arch Oboler, I'm happy to hear, has been signed by Metro to a new term contract and assigned to direct one of his own original stories, "I'll Tell My Husband." Arch, if you don't already happen to know it, is the author of more than 400 widely used plays for broadcasting, also several popular books, including the "Oboler Omnibus," and has won annual radio awards for the best public service broadcast, the best dramatic broadcast and the best dramatic play! Quite a record for one of our boys!

When the Quiz Kids visited the White House recently, President Truman congratulated them on their victory over four Senators on a recent radio show. "That was particularly interesting to me," the President is reported to have said, "because I don't seem to win anything in the Senate!"

After the quizzards has spent several minutes with the President, a guide escorted them on a tour of the White House. As they were finally ushered out, Joel Kupperman whispered: "Say, it's too bad we can't give the President more of our time!"

**How To Win Against British**  
JERUSALEM — Palestine-born Major Nehemia Pardo has been acquitted by a military court of charges of sedition and attempting to sow disaffection among soldiers under his command. The chief witnesses against Major Pardo, including a British Jew,

sapper H. L. Levy, testified that the Major, speaking in Hebrew, described Foreign Minister Bevin and Lord President of the Council Herbert Morrison as "fascists." When the witnesses admitted under cross-examination that they understood little Hebrew, the prosecutor decided to drop the charges.

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## dot's line

By DOT MEYBERG

**H**OWDY FOLKS! It isn't true that pretty studio stenographers and the others that toil unnoticed are never found by talent scouts. . . . During the past several weeks three RKO-Radio employees have been "discovered" and signed on the dotted line. . . . First it was Sally Gittleman, who has been the studio cashier for a long time. She was given a role in "From This Day Forward," which is the new Joan Fontaine picture. . . . She had her name changed and it was quite a job but when everyone found that she was such an admirer of George Sanders, she had her name changed to Sanders. . . . Then at almost the same time there was Omega Cole, former messenger girl, and Patricia Wright, who was the headwaitress in the Studio Cafe. . . . Director Mervyn Leroy isn't one to let a person down. . . . He is making the picture "Without Reservations" and gladly offered a part to Patricia; but when she donned grease paint and went for a costume for the picture she found that she was in the cafe scene right on the lot. . . . The picture was being taken inside the studio commissary and her first part called for her experience as head waitress.



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THIS 'N THAT. Saw Sam Zimbalist, who produced "Adventure," with Greer Garson and Clark Gable. . . . He is just out of the service and says he has had several hours of thinking while with Uncle Sam, and expects to put out some very unusual stories shortly. . . . If we can judge by "Adventure," then he is sure to be correct. . . . Henry Ginsberg, Paramount Studio head, announced that "State of the Union," this season's prime N. Y. stage hit, will be brought to the screen by his studio. . . . Walter Wanger is meeting with other film executives over the plans for the Academy Awards event which takes place in three weeks.

**CHATTER.** Just found that it was Hunt Stromberg the producer who found Penny Singleton eight years ago and put her in pictures, and this is the first time that Penny has played anything other than the comic-strip blonde, with the signing of her to appear as a straight character in "Young Widow" which he is producing. . . . As soon

as Hedy LaMarr gives the 'high sign' Louis Hayward will leave for a vacation in England. . . . Jack Chertok and Hunt Stromberg, believe they have an unusual picture in "The Strange Woman" and are making certain that it is just that. . . . Several retakes have been keeping the actors on the set constantly. That may explain the reason that no word has been forthcoming about the separation in the LaMarr-Loder family. . . . Al Jolson drove across country in all kinds of weather, coming from Miami to Hollywood, and being delayed by snow-blocked highways. It was a shock that he turned up at Columbia Studios, for the last word was that he would leave Florida for N. Y. and go directly into rehearsals for his stage show "Oh, Susanna," which is to have an early opening on Broadway.

**DOT'S DIARY.** Comedian Billy De Wolfe, who is in Irving Berlin's "Blue Skies," the big technicolor production, is a culinary expert to the extent of one dish I can bank on. . . . It

is Boston baked beans—cause he comes from Boston. . . . Bob Goetz, head of International Pictures, has put an end to speculation regarding the future of Lew Ayres by casting him in "The Dark Mirror" and several other pictures at the studio. . . . I understand there is an agreement that at no time will Ayres appear in any drinking scenes or with firearms of any kind. . . . Milton Krasner, the photographer on that picture, worked with Mervyn LeRoy recently, and inappreciation for his grand art work, Mervyn declared Milton in on a \$50,000 investment when LeRoy purchased the well-known thoroughbred race horse "Wise Eagle" . . . Robert Siodmak, famous director, has a directorial chair on the set. . . . In large letters is his name and below this legend: "Pronounced—See-Odd-Mack."

**MAIL BOX.** John Selviss: Ingrid Bergman slipped out of town after her hospitalization and will not make another picture for several months. There isn't anything announced for her. . . . David Harris: Few pictures are taken down at Long Beach for it is much easier to make a process shot on a studio set. This is done with paintings oftentimes and when the background calls for action, they use movies of a congested district, or maybe it is a beautiful waterfall; but details are a secret even from the press. . . . Harold Stern: Edward Arnold is quite busy when he is off the screen for he is one of the executives of the Permanent Charities Committee for the Motion Picture Industry; however, this year it should be easier on him with the studios going into one drive for funds to cover all charities. . . . Warren Bronstein: It was Sam Zimbalist who produced "Thirty Seconds Over Tokyo" and "Boom Town." SO LONG!

## STRANGE, STORY OF HIT; ABOUT DEAD COMPOSER

Special PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—Behind the title of one of the top hit tunes there is a true story that is stranger than fiction.

It starts when France went to war against Germany in September 1939. One of the top fencers of France was a young Jew by the name Alfred Stein. He donned his country's colors and fought valiantly until France capitulated.

In Vichy France, Stein decided that the war was not over for him so he joined an underground movement. His job was to notify allied authorities how many allied aviators who were shot down or escaped from Nazi war camps were on their way to England across the channel.

How to do it without being detected worried him until he hit upon the idea of using the sports pages of the papers. Every few days he would bring results of fencing matches to the sports editor. The paper would print them such as: Belgium 5, France 2. To Allied authorities that meant that five Belgian and two French flyers were on their way across the channel.

**EVERYTHING** went smoothly for awhile but Stein knew that he would be picked up by the Gestapo sooner or later. He arranged with his comrades in the underground on the code words "C'est fini" (It is finished) as the signal that he had been nabbed and that his work was over.

Nazi suspicion soon fastened itself on him and he was watched by Gestapo agents. He entered a music store and bought some music manuscript paper. That night when he got back to his room he began to put down notes on the

paper. On top of the sheet he titled the song "C'est Fini." A few nights later the Nazi Gestapo broke in and arrested Stein. They paid no attention to the music manuscript which laid on the table in front of their eyes. Stein was hustled away to a concentration camp.

STEIN'S absence was noted by his comrades. They went up to the room and saw the music sheet with its title.

"It's too bad," murmured one, "he was a good worker."

Another having some knowledge of music icked up the scribbled notes and began to hum a tune. He became interested and took the music manuscript with him. He wrote lyrics for the melody and the song soon became the song hit of Europe. It was brought back to this country by returning G.I's. Today Stein's song is number one song hit of the country. It is the popular ballad "Symphony."

### S. S. Wise Birthday Dinner Set March 17

Special NEW YORK—The annual dinner tendered to Dr. Stephen S. Wise by the alumni of the Jewish Institute of Religion will take place this year right on his birth date, Sunday, March 17.

## Purality in Canada For Jewish Palestine

Jewish Telegraphic Agency MONTREAL—Forty-nine per cent of the Canadian public favors the free settlement of Jews in Palestine, according to the results of a national survey conducted by the Canadian Institute of Public Opinion.

In the survey the lead-off question was worded as follows: "As you know, there has been trouble in Palestine between the Arabs and the Jewish people from Europe who wish to settle there. Do you think that Jewish people should be allowed to settle freely in Palestine; should only a limited number be allowed in; or do you think that no more Jewish people should be allowed to settle in Palestine?"

The answers were as follows: Settle freely, 49 per cent; limited number, 20 per cent; no more allowed, 7 per cent, and undecided, 24 per cent. The more favorable replies came from the lower and middle income groups.

### Music Week Feb. 24-Mar. 3

Musical programs dedicated to ancient and modern Jewish music, in which leading musicians, orchestral and choral groups will participate, will feature the celebration of Jewish Music Week, to be observed in Jewish communities throughout the country from Feb. 24-Mar. 3.

Hon. Joseph M. Levine, Judge of the Municipal Court of New York, has been named chairman of the Board of Trustees of the Jewish Institute of Religion.



## SATURDAY NIGHT IS SPHA NIGHT FOR PHILLY JEWISH CAGE FANS

**Special**  
PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—To about 1,800 Philadelphians spending Saturday night from late September to late March is no problem. For them it's a regular date at the Broadwood to see the SPHAs usually win a basketball game, and after the game dance to a good swing band. Loyal as a SPHAS rooter is synonymous with Damon and Pythias, Roland and Oliver and a hot dog and roll. The other 700 attendees that bulge the Broadwood ballroom where the games are played are what you might call transients.

Although usually competing with a double-header of the best college basketball teams playing at Convention Hall, there is standing room only at SPHAS games.

**WHY?** Well, if you ask a SPHA rooter he will tell you first, he is sure to see a good basketball game, second, most of his friends are going to be there, and third, he's been doing it for years and enjoying it.

If you probe a little further you'll find the shrewd promoting of coach-manager-owner Eddie Gottlieb.

Let's count a few statistics. The SPHAs are now playing their 27th consecutive season of big-time pro basketball. They've won seven championships in the Amreican League in 12 seasons of competition. Before joining up with the American loop they garnered three Eastern League championships and lost one in a final playoff. However, no statistics can paint the personality of the team and its coach.

**YOU GO IN** to watch a game. The SPHAs are meeting the league leaders. It's a sizzling thriller and you give vent to some inhibitions by exercising your lungs as the boys really go to town down on the court. The score is see-sawing like a tight-rope walker.

Down in front of you there's a chap who's giving the game his all. His face is a motion picture. First he smiles, then he grimaces, a laugh, a growl, and he's jumping up and down like a vitaminized Mexican bean. Time out is called and "Little Dymano" gets off the bench to huddle with the players. It's Gotty. What he tells the players is plenty—they don't have a chance to sandwich in an ejaculation. But it must be good stuff for the SPHAs go at it again with renewed pep and plays.

**A RUN DOWN** on the current SPHAs aggrega-

tion gives a clue why they've been on the top or runner-up practically every season.

"Inky" Lautman heads the list. He's a local lad that made good and continued to get better. It's his 13th season with the SPHAs. He jumped into big league pro basketball after starring for Central High in Philly at 17. Alternates between playing guard and center, can shoot with either hand and some opponents say with his feet. He's one of the best pivot men in the business.

"Petey" Rosenberg is small as basketball players go today, tipping the beam at 5' 10". Only 25, he grew up with the SPHAs, acting for many years as their mascot, bag-carrier and biggest hero-worshipper. He was all-scholastic at Southern High, which has become a training ground for many future SPHA players. Played for St. Joseph College one year and then left to play pro ball. Petey sparks the SPHAs, he's perpetual motion on the court. He has discarded his basketball suit for this season to don a Phillies baseball uniform.

Issie Scheetman, who was an All-American from Clare Bee's L.I.U. team that captured the National Invitation Tournament at Madison Square a few years ago, holds down either a forward or guard post. A good-looking lad, he's lost none of his collegiate skill in pro ball.

**ART HILLHOUSE**, who teamed with Ossie on that championship L.I.U. squad, is the most improved player of the year. Using his 6' 4" to the best advantage, he's made other All-American collegiate centers now playing pro ball look like high school kids.

Bernie Oppen comes from Kentucky U. and he's got an eye like one of those feudin' mountaineers. Tough, fast and smart, he breaks up many a game with a last-minute one-handed stab from the side of the court.

Ralph Kaplowitz is the latest addition to the SPHAs and he's measuring up better than any first year man playing pro ball. A N.Y.U. ace, he turned to money playing after his discharge from the Air Corps last year. Quiet and serious, he plays ball as if he really meant it—and he does.

**IRV DAVIS** is a grad from the Violets, too. Another ex-G.I., he shares the pivot post with Hillhouse and shifts to guard when they're both in the game.

He's not a flashy player but when you count up the assists that he's fed to the high-scorers you know he's been playing ball.

"Red" Klotz, the SPHAs whiz kid, is the shortest man on the squad, 5' 6". Tricky, fast and one of the best dribblers, he uses his shortness and speed to scoot under the basket to lay up counters that inflate the score. Another Southern High alumni and ex-G.I., he whirlwinds every minute he's in the game.

They are the current SPHA players, each man can play two positions equally well; they like each other and have more team spirit than a college or high school quintet.

**THERE'S MORE** to the SPHAs than the team and Gotty. Gottlieb has as his assistant coach one of the smartest mentors of the game in Harry Litwack. Harry, an ex-SPHA star, sees that the team meshes without too much friction. Brainy, eagle-eyed, nothing gets by him. Between Gottlieb's prodigious memory and Litwack's photographic eyes you got a combo that knows the assets and faults of every player in the American League. Their record shows that they utilize the knowledge. Just to make sure, there are a couple of scorers that mark down every shot taken by a SPHA player. These charts are closely analyzed after each game.

You can see a lot of basketball at the Broadwood Saturday night. Before the SPHAs come on there are two Jewish League games. A lot of promising high school players show off their stuff and SPHA scouts watch the games closely for future stars. "Red" Klotz used to thrill the fans in these games before he graduated to big-time pro ball.

**NOTHING** is overlooked to make Saturday night at the Broadwood a success. Between the periods prizes contributed by merchants are raffled off. The SPHAs Sparks, a combination of program, score card and newspaper, edited by Marty Weintraub and Capt. Dave Zinkoff, keep the regular patrons informed not only of the visiting players but the last page of the four-page sheet is a la Walter Winchell of the doings of regular SPHA fans. The Sparks is mailed to SPHA fans in the services throughout the world.

Pro basketball is a big success in Philly, the only reason it isn't bigger is that the Broadwood can't hold any more.

## Jews in Sports

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By HASKELL COHEN



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**SID TANENBAUM** has played great basketball for New York University these past three years. But few will deny that he reached his peak against Notre Dame. To our way of thinking Tanenbaum's stellar defensive work spelled the difference between victory and defeat in the 62-58 Violet triumph. Assigned to guard Leo Klier, the nation's number one forward, Sid turned in a remarkable game.

Klier was so bottled up he couldn't cut for the hoop even once. Sid stuck to Klier like glue. It was readily evident that the Notre Dame boy was a great performer. He moved skillfully and handled the ball beautifully, but always in the backcourt. In close, Tanenbaum hawked him unmercifully and refused to permit Klier to get off his one-hand push shot. All in all, Leo faltered three times and each time from the deep corners of the court. Sid was a bit short on most of his set shots but scored often enough to harass the enemy. Sid wasn't particularly interested in scoring, however. His big job was covering Klier and setting up plays. Time and time again Sid's lead passes caught Don Forman open under the hoop for easy baskets.

**A FAMILIAR NAME**, Pal Silvers, has hit the boxing columns again. You may remember Pal as a top-notch featherweight and lightweight twenty years ago. Well, Pal is making a boxing comeback at the age of thirty-six. He crosses gloves late this week with Harry Bernstein, the Norwegian heavyweight. The years have added considerable poundage to the Brownsville slugger but his face is devoid of the trade's markings. His ears are flat and his nose straight and he doesn't mumble when he talks.

Pal has fought the best in every division. Gorilla Jones, Vince Dundee, Canada Lee, Jack Britton, Paul Pirrone, Benny Leonard, Leo Lomsky, and Max Marek are some of the famous fighters who opposed Silvers in his day. His best money fight was against Benny Leonard fifteen years ago. Silvers was paid \$10,000. In 1939, as a heavyweight he was paid \$98. Pal weighed 178 against 264 for his opponent, Elza Thompson. Silvers won. "I had to win," he laughed, "Couldn't afford to let that big lug beat me up for that kind of money."

Like all boxers Silvers was an easy come, easy go kid. He earned \$50,000 a year, but liked the nice things in life. Coupled with a touch here and there, the money disappeared. Right now Pal's wife and daughter are sunning themselves in Florida so perhaps the aging vet still has a buck or two left. At any rate his new comeback campaign gets underway and there are those who think Pal will still go places among the current crop of heavyweights.

**PETEY ROSENBERG** goes South in a few days with the Phillies. At 27 Pete is a little late starting his baseball career. It's everything or nothing on this trip. He either makes the grade or gives up the game. We doubt very much that Rosey will permit

himself to be farmed out. Unless, of course, the Phils send him to nearby Wilmington at the proper salary.

Pete never thought much about baseball until he entered the service. At Camp Luna, New Mexico, he batted over .400, and surprised teammate Joe Gordon, of the Yankees, with his ability. Actually Pete outslugged Gordon and batted a few more percentage points than the big leaguer. Joe Marty, Philly outfielder, was on the camp's team and hit eighty points less than Petey. Among his home run victims Rosey numbered Porter Vaughan, the Athletics southpaw.

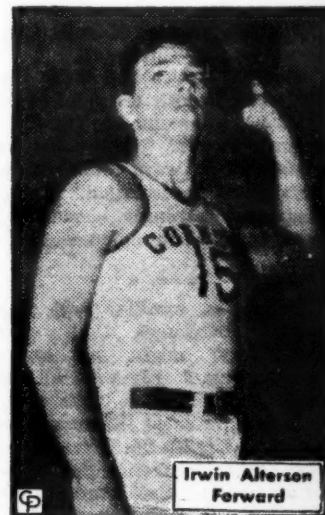
Last summer when he was home on furlough the Philly Sphas basketballer worked out with the Phils and impressed manager Ben Chapman and business director Herb Penneck. Chappy remarked on the radio the other night that he thought highly of Pete's chances. However, with Jim Tabor available at third base, Rosey's chances of starting with the Phils appear remote. He also plays the outfield, but with Vince Di Maggio, Novikoff, and Northey starting and Jim Wasdell on hand there doesn't seem to be too much of an opportunity for the Sphas' sparkplug. Pete will miss the last half of the basketball season but will be permitted to return for the American Basketball League playoffs. If he makes good on the diamond the Phils will draw the Jewish clientele, since Rosey is a prime favorite with the Sphas. Bob Carpenter, Philly prexy, isn't overlooking this point.

**Data and thisa:** Hank Greenberg is still unsigned. He will probably ink his contract at a figure between \$55,000 and \$65,000. . . . Harry Boykoff of St. John's and Jackie Goldsmith of L.I.U. are running a hot race for New York basketball scoring honors. Jackie is leading right now by 23 points. . . . Irwin Alterson of Cornell is a cinch to report as Ivy League scoring leader. . . . Sonny Hertzberg of the N.Y. Gothams hoop team has been discharged from the Army. . . . The Washington Redskins would like to snag Sam Fox, N.Y. Giant end. Sam is a Washingtonian and has the makings of a great pass snatcher. Steve Owen refuses to let him go, however. . . . All three N.Y. baseball teams took Jewish players south. Rosen went with Brooklyn, Gordon with the Giants, and Karpel with the Yanks. The latter is a southpaw hurler who may stick all year. He made the grade with Kansas City before entering the service.

Jules Bendern former L. I. U. in basketball. The three are Lou flash, who has been playing for Eisenstein, Brooklyn; Sam Baltimore, has been released from the Navy and has resumed his duties as athletic director at the Hebrew Educational Society in Brooklyn.

Dave Walsh, Associate Director of the Intercollegiate Basketball Official Bureau, who assigns referees to all college basketball events in the East, officially named three Jews in his selection of eleven men who are rated as the most competent arbiters

Murray Zipple, Army dis-



Irwin Alterson  
Forward

## Ivy League Leader

Leading all other scorers in the Ivy League is Irwin Alterson. Alterson is practically a cinch to finish the season at the head of the list.

## High School Star Adds New Scoring Record

**Special**  
PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—Sherwood (Shy) Raiken went on a scoring binge last week and added one more record to his already long list when he collared 49 points for a new all-time Philadelphia District interscholastic one-game mark as Dobbins licked Mastbaum Vocational 69-27 in a Public High League game.

The Dobbins star, who recently set a new record at Convention Hall by getting 41 points, has also shattered the season record of 203 points, the mark set by Temple star Eddie Lerner when he played for Southern High in 1944.

ago in his first basketball game for Lafayette U.





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### CALENDAR

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Friday, February 22, 1945

### The Editor's Chair.

Here are a few personal impressions of the third session of the American Jewish Conference at Cleveland.

Rabbi Maurice Eisendrath emerged as a new leader in the American Jewish community at this third session. In three days of poor speechmaking, at least two of Rabbi Eisendrath's appearances on the rostrum were notable exceptions. The first when he opened the deliberations Sunday afternoon, and the second when he replied to Rabbi James G. Heller in the stormy Monday afternoon session. I have been told that Rabbi Eisendrath writes his speeches, reads them over once, and that is all that is necessary for perfect memory.

Rabbi Eisendrath will need all the skill he has acquired at the coming Biennial Council of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations in Cincinnati.

Firm in his belief that the American Jewish Committee could have remained in the Conference because "dissent can be registered in ways other than withdrawal or isolation," Rabbi Eisendrath strongly condemned the Committee in his opening address.

Those not familiar with the terms "Pittsburgh Call" and "Relevancy" might not know how important they were at the third session. The Pittsburgh Call is so named because the American Jewish Conference was born at this meeting in Pittsburgh which also limited the Conference's scope to overseas problems. The word "relevancy" then grew out of the use of the terms of the Pittsburgh Call as a yardstick by which any motion which called for an extension of the scope of the conference was ruled out of order.

It must be remembered in any weighing of the results of the Conference that this third session brought most of the delegates together for the third time. There were a few replacements, of course, but for the main it was the same delegates facing the same problems, and faced by the same leaders. No wonder then, that this session could not reach heights of enthusiasm. And this in turn affected the ability of speakers to reach any heights of oratory.

The most interesting group at the session was the Independent bloc. This group were for two simple changes—permanence and broadening of scope. I attended the first meeting of this group when there were less than ten delegates present. At the last meeting of this bloc over 150

delegates were on hand. The bloc did the best it could, and was helped by Rabbi Heller's unexpected backing, but it was unable to swing the convention.

Dan Frisch who last year moved from Indianapolis, the district he was supposed to represent as a delegate, won a victory in the credentials committee, and was permitted to keep his seat. The Indianapolis Jewish Federation had voted that since Mr. Frisch had moved from the city he no longer could represent the community, and when this message was presented to the credentials committee, several of Mr. Frisch's friends who probably had never been to Indianapolis and who couldn't possibly know better than the Indianapolis Federation, declared that Mr. Frisch had moved away from that city only temporarily.

The action that anyone cognizant with the way the Conference is controlled would expect, was then taken. Mr. Frisch was permitted to retain his seat, depriving a community of 10,000 of representation.

But came the opening day, came the second day, and Mr. Frisch not only had not registered, but he had not taken the trouble to send any message so that his alternate could serve in his stead. Several Conference officials privately denounced this type of thing, and recognized that they had been placed in an embarrassing position.

Rabbi William Kramer contributed this next piece:

The American Jewish Conference met last week just ten blocks away from and 91 years later than the first American Jewish Conference. It was in 1855 that The Conference of American Israelites met in the then downtown Medical College of Cleveland's Western Reserve University. It was called largely at the suggestion of Dr. Isaac M. Wise, leader of the liberal wing of American Judaism. Isaac Leiser of Philadelphia, famed Bible translator and Conservative leader, was also present.

Both laymen and rabbis attended. The purpose was to unite American Israel religiously. All existing congregations having regular ministers were represented. Leiser and Wise split on the question of religious reform and the Conference failed to continue.

An important contribution, however, was the publication by a Conference committee of the "Minhag America," first American Jewish Prayerbook.

I want to call your attention to the coverage The Post provided of the American Jewish Conference. Not only did we have two staff members there, myself and M. Z. Frank, but in addition we are giving you comment from Rabbi Saul White, prominent West Coast writer, and then a story from our own Cleveland correspondent, Geoffrey Fisher.

Those of you to whom I owe letters will better appreciate my position when I outline this schedule. Two weeks ago I was in Detroit covering the General Assembly of the Council of Jewish Welfare Funds and Federations. Then Tuesday I returned from the American Jewish Conference at Cleveland, only to leave the office again Thursday for a week's trip. That will bring me back here about next Friday, and Sunday I'll be going over to Cincinnati for the Biennial of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

### Third Session A Failure

ALTHOUGH many delegates at the third session felt that definite progress toward achieving a really democratic all-inclusive national Jewish organization had been made as the result of the resolution adopted on reorganization and future, it should be obvious after a little objective consideration that such is not the case.

The Conference is through. That much is conceded, although in fact, it was through long before this third session.

The discussion then centers on what the possibilities are for a new body of real democratic concept. In the opinion of The Post those possibilities are practically nil.

In order to achieve a new body it will now be necessary to secure the prior agreement as to scope and nature from the national organizations and it is already a foregone conclusion that such agreement will be reached only if the sovereignty of the Big 3 is not jeopardized. None of these national organizations save perhaps the Congress will be willing to cede to the contemplated new body any of their authority, and on the horns of that dilemma the new overall agency will be locked.

The Zionists will continue the Conference

as long as it can be marshalled to speak for a large segment of the American Jewish community. The B'nai B'rith will continue the Conference as long as it is useful to American Jewry and will remember that it is a shield to ward off the formation of the powerful new body which the American Jewish community deserves, wants, and eventually will get.

At the third session, the delegates, all of whom had known of the low estate to which the Conference had fallen in the estimation of American Jewry, allowed themselves the luxury of believing that once again they were an important organization and that their deliberations might go on with no change for as long as they wished it. But that wishful thinking must evenly now have been dissipated.

With no new elections, with no referendum, with no possibility of any future remedy of the ills which at present prevent the Conference from functioning fruitfully, and with no chance of securing an altogether new agency, it is obvious that the American Jewish community will have to look elsewhere for the kind of organization it thought it was forming and must have.

### Little To Fear In New Reform "Alliance"

THE POST does not hold with those who look fearfully to the forthcoming session of the Biennial Council of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations. Even the fact that the anti-Zionist group has finally organized nationally does not seem to warrant the furrowed brows of Reform leaders these last few weeks.

The question sooner or later had to come to a head. That it will be resolved now instead of being allowed to go on and fester and to create more disgruntled feelings is all to the good.

One observation however is warranted. It is to be hoped that whatever the decision of the Biennial Council, that decision will be accepted in good grace by both sides. Of course if either side feels that on principle it cannot go along with the decision, it has the prerogative of

withdrawing from the Union, and there is the possibility that the small dissident group may actually withdraw to form its own organization.

Unfortunate as that would be, The Post's point is that a clarification of the situation will be all to the good. The thinkers in the Reform movement have for this many years pointed out that Reform is a dynamic, growing, changing movement and to attempt to crystalize it either on the Pittsburgh Platform of 1885 or a platform adopted at the coming Biennial would be a serious mistake. An understanding and acceptance of this theory of change may not bring back the dissidents into the fold, but it will cause those who might have been swayed by argument for a rigid adherence to the Pittsburgh Platform, or what Dr. Isaac M. Wise said, to realize what is true Reform Judaism.

### Law and Medicine Not Only Rewarding Work

ALTHOUGH this particular survey reported elsewhere in this issue shows only that certified public accountants and consulting engineers make more money than doctors, and therefore cannot be used effectively to compare the medical professions with that of ordinary accountants and ordinary engineers, still the results show that law and medicine are not the only professions offering adequate monetary rewards.

Unquestionably there are many fields of

skilled work in which the returns are comparable to that of the medical and dental profession, and in the case of law, skilled jobs probably bring greater returns.

In addition there is another point that is just as important if not more so. And that is that many an unhappy lawyer and many a dissatisfied doctor might have found complete fulfillment as a skilled worker had it not been for the terrific pressure of parents and relatives.

### Current Comment

**Policy of B'nai B'rith's Anti-Defamation League in Recent Smith Episode Hit By The Sentinel of Chicago**—The Jewish people have earned the right to stand up and shout—not whisper—"We expect to be treated equally with every other citizen." We have earned the right to demand an end to discrimination, to second-class citizenship, and anti-Semitism. We have suffered and paid a high enough price in blood and sacrifice to insist upon our full rights everywhere in the world.

Every responsible organization in Jewish life voices this opinion. At the top of the roster stands the largest and most influential group of American Jewry—B'nai B'rith—with a membership of 265,000. We have been encouraged in this attitude by the forthright statements made by Henry Monsky, Supreme Lodge President, who declared: "... The only way to fight anti-Semitism is to treat it like a plague and expose its germs to the ray-killing glare of the sun. Once brought out into the daylight of full publicity and exposed, American public opinion can be counted upon to do the rest..."

What has happened, however, in almost every instance where the Chicago Jewish community has been brought together during the past two years to discuss methods of combating a particular incident of anti-Semitism? The most recent Gerald L. K. Smith episode is a good case in point.

At the first meeting where the various community organizations (including the trade unions, youth and veterans' groups) gathered to decide upon common course of action, B'nai B'rith as usual was represented by a spokesman of the A.D.L. He argued vehemently for what he termed the strategy of "the silent treat-

ment." After a full and lengthy discussion, the organizations present, by an overwhelming majority vote, rejected this method. The decision was for the mobilization of a mass picket line.

At the final meeting of the strategy committee, held the day prior to the demonstration, the A.D.L. representative again reaffirmed the official opposition of his organization. When questioned as to whether this meant that the Chicago B'nai B'rith membership would not participate, he stated that he had authority to speak for that membership on all such matters of public relations.

Since Thursday night, the A.D.L. has been belittling the success of the picket line, claiming that it "played into the hands of Smith by giving him the publicity he was seeking." Moreover, both Judge Heller and Judge Caplan were severely criticized by the A.D.L. for having the courage to sign the arrest warrants for Smith, Terminiello and Kister.

What were the results of the united action? Did it succeed or fail? Was A.D.L. right or wrong in advocating a "silent treatment" policy?

The answer is self-evident. Chicago gave an impressive demonstration of anti-fascist unity in the most effective manner possible. Beyond a shadow of a doubt, we demonstrated that we do not propose to allow this "Charlie McCarthy Hitler" to come into our city without opposition. One immediate result was that his meeting scheduled for Saturday night at Viking Temple was cancelled. The indignation of our citizenry for the first time stopped them dead in their tracks. This is a great victory that cannot be overemphasized.



# NEW YORK

By M. Z. FRANK

## AT THE AMERICAN JEWISH CONFERENCE

**M**ONDAY, 9:30 P. M.—I am writing this sitting at the foot of the platform, listening to Silver's address. The hall is overcrowded, with the overflow filling several adjoining rooms. Everybody is listening in rapt attention, except Rabbi Irving Miller who is talking to his neighbor, a young man in military uniform. By the time I reached the period, he stopped talking. Now it is the young man in uniform talking to Rabbi Miller. He is a chaplain. I just came in. They tell me Stephen Wise had already spoken. I read Silver's address before hearing it. I read Goldstein's address before hearing it. And besides, I am not supposed to confine my presence to the regular sessions or my writing to mere reporting. There will be the regular press releases.

Applause—Silver mentioned the need to go counter to the wishes of the President in the case of the Palestine Resolution.

Tonight is the night of great speakers. Silver—and then Zalman Grinberg, Zalman Grinberg was supposed to have arrived yesterday from Europe, but his plane did not reach Washington until last night. I saw him today at noon when he gave an interview to the representatives of the general press. He is a young physician from a D. P. camp, an active leader among them. He is from Kaunas, Lithuania, where he was director of X-ray research until the Nazis took him to Dachau. There he spent nine months. He speaks English fairly well. Some of the questions put to him by the non-Jewish reporters betrayed a stubborn refusal to recognize the existence of a Jewish question.

**SILVER** is making a vigorous defense of the need to woo Soviet support without taking sides as between USSR and Britain. Personally, I am not quite convinced that the reason is not somewhat labored. But the attempt to pin on Zionist leaders a Communist orientation is ridiculous, even though some have made it a practice—a stupid practice—to attend every meeting of Communist and fellow-traveling shysters to which they are invited.

Oh, yes. I forgot to mention that I have moved from the foot of the platform to the press table where I found a seat near Sidney Marks. Libby Braverman just came in and sat down at the foot of the platform where I had just sat. "Finders keepers," she said to me. "Si Kennen (I. L. Kennen) chased me away," I said she could sit there. I need a table to write my column.

The audience is listening in rapt attention.

**THERE HAVE BEEN** some good speeches before, too. Judith Epstein this afternoon gave a fine review of the hearings in Washington. But altogether there have been too many speeches. The leaders insist on treating the conference as a mass meeting, while the delegates take themselves quite seriously as members of an incipient Jewish parliament of American Jewry. Slowly but surely, the delegates are making headway. Gabriel Cohen and the canned—excuse me, official—releases will tell you the rest.

**THE MOST REMARKABLE** feature of Silver's addresses, apart from his oratory, his logic and his vocabulary, etc., is his impassioned, consistent Herzlian Zionism.

I offered Libby Braverman a Murad cigarette in compensation for her seat at the table. She refused. "Let me immortalize you in my column," I said.

The camera clicked twice within the past five minutes.

**THIS AFTERNOON** was devoted mostly to the problem of the future of the Conference. Silver just finished. The camera clicked again. Enthusiastic applause.

This afternoon, I said, saw a parliamentary battle. I thoroughly enjoyed it, though with my Russian background, I can't make head nor tail out of it. I never learned it, any more than I learned how to play baseball or shout at a hockey game. But I enjoyed the show, just as I would enjoy a good performance in a Portuguese theatre.

Stephen Wise is introducing Zalman Grinberg. He is telling about his heroic feat of single-handedly forcing Nazis to take care of 500 Jews in a hospital. The audience rises to greet Grinberg, who is dark, slight, with an engaging energetic face. He speaks in English. Ann Jarcho just remarked to me: "Whenever I look at this little fellow, I can't help thinking of his feat." And she told me the story I have just related. At noon, when I watched Grinberg give his interview to the press, I witnessed a touching scene. An uncle of Grinberg's came to see him. He waited in the anteroom, nervously pacing up and down, until Grinberg would be through with his interview. As soon as the press conference was over, the two rushed to each other and embraced.

**DURING** the press conference, Major Fleischman came in and greeted Grinberg. "How are you, Zalman?" The two men embraced. Fleischman returned only a few weeks ago from Central Europe, where he had represented the Conference. He came back inspired by the spirit that he had seen among the surviving Jews. Grinberg answered the stupid questions of the non-Jewish reporters with skill and quiet dignity.

**HE SPEAKS WELL** and forcefully. His English is good, getting better as he goes along. He is bitter against the civilized world. "We know now that even before the war we lived in camouflaged concentration camps." I looked around—I see tears in some eyes and a tense expression on every face. Major Fleischman, sitting on the platform behind the speakers, watches him with an expression of warm affection. "We must not, we cannot and we will not stay in Europe."

Before I forget: Last night Dr. Jacob Robinson, head of the Institute of Jewish Studies of the World and American Jewish Congress, delivered an address which was a keen and brilliant analysis of the Nuremberg trials. It was not a speech, not a recitation of facts and ideas already familiar to the audience, but a real revelation.

I am told that Grinberg has written the whole English speech all by himself. The second half of his address is to be in Yiddish. Grinberg is getting tired of the strain of the foreign language. At

## YOUR NAME

By N. PEARLROTH

If you want the derivation of your name traced and explained, write to Mr. Pearlroth, The Jewish Post, Box 1632, Indianapolis, Ind.

Dear Sir,

Please let me know about my name, which is Weinraub. The family came from Austria.

Thanking you very kindly,

Yours truly,

MRS. G. WEINRAUB

1643 Toppenghoe, Bronx 57, N. Y.

### WEINRAUB

This is a Jewish version of the German word Weinreb, meaning "a vine." The original name of your family was Israel.

When the Austrian Emperor Joseph II issued his law compelling all Austrian Jews to assume family names, he forbade them to take their Hebrew names as a family appellation. But the Jews were greatly attached to their Hebrew names. So they kept them in a symbolic way. If you turn to the Bible (Jeremiah, 6, 9) you will find the prophet's prediction that "they shall thoroughly glean the remnant of ISRAEL as a VINE."

The biblical comparison of Israel to a Vine gave your ancestor his clue. He took the name of Weinreb, (Jewish Weinraub) which is an equivalent of "VINE" in the above quotation.

The names Weinstock, Israel and Isserles have the same meaning as yours.

Dear Mr. Pearlroth:

Would you please tell me the derivations of the name Wilder.

My father, Mr. Wilder, came from Roumania. Thank you very much.

Sincerely,

PHYLLIS WILDER  
Winnipeg, Canada

**WILDER**  
This name is borne both by Christians and by Jews. Its meaning depends on the religion of the bearer. Wilder as applied to Christians means "a native of Wilden," in Germany. The Jewish name Wilder means "wanderer, stranger." It is a very old name, dating back to the days when the word had a different meaning in German from what it has today. It was first assumed by a nostalgic immigrant into Germany to commemorate the fact that he had come from a distant country and knew not a soul in the new place where he settled.

### Rabbi Siegel Engaged

**Special**  
Maj. Norman Siegel, Army Chaplain Corps, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Siegel of Baltimore, and Vivienne Horowitz, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Abraham H. Horowitz of this city, have announced their engagement.

Miss Horowitz was graduated from Brooklyn College and has studied for five years at the Teachers Institute of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America.

Major Siegel was graduated from Yeshiva College and from the Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary. Before his enlistment he was rabbi of the Jewish Center in Monticello, N. Y. He is now on terminal leave and in the near future will assume his duties as rabbi of Congregation Beth Israel in New Orleans.

one moment he lapsed into Yiddish. The audience now wants him to speak Yiddish. It is coming.

10:50—He finished in English. Applause, the audience rises. Wise remarks: "Dr. Grinberg looks at his watch. He is accustomed to the curfew. This is not the American Zone. This is Cleveland, Ohio."

He is speaking Yiddish. Rosa Mark is taking it down in English. The audience does not follow his Yiddish as well as the English address, but there is more content and more appeal in his Yiddish words.

**HE FINISHES** on a determined Zionist note. Applause. The audience rises. Wise embraces Grinberg. The Hatikvah.

## I Think as I Please

By CARL ALPERT

### What Happens to a Million Dollars?

**S**INCE 1933 some 250,000 refugees have come to this country fleeing from Nazism in Germany and the countries consumed by the Nazis. In the first year of Hitler's rise to power there were only 4,000 men and women who had the courage or the foresight to leave the Old World, but by 1939, when there could be no further doubt about Der Fuehrer's intentions, the number had risen to 51,000. Thereafter the war caused periodic sharp decreases, almost to the disappearing point.

The reaction of the American Jewish community was immediate. A National Coordination Committee was set up to meet the particular needs of the newcomers, and in the crucial year of 1939 the National Refugee Service was created to take over the work of existing agencies in the field, and to meet the problem with an expanded program.

American Jews were liberal to the N.R.S. In 1940 that body expended almost 3½ million dollars; in 1941, 3 millions; in 1942, almost 2½ millions; 1944, just over one million dollars. The decrease in expenditures is striking and marked—and to be expected. Unless the N.R.S. program were ineffective, there should have been continued decrease, as the former refugees became self-supporting, normal members of the Jewish community—and the budget of the national agency would then decline to the vanishing point, and disappear, as the National Refugee Service, with joy and celebration, could proclaim its tasks ended, and its liquidation as a body a fact.

**AN INDEPENDENT** and objective study made recently by the impartial Committee for the Study of Recent Immigration from Europe has found that practically all the refugees who have come here since 1933 are already self-supporting, well-adjusted, and thoroughly integrated into the life of the country. Indeed, we would be thoroughly disappointed were the facts to be otherwise. I have no doubt but that the N.R.S. itself might substantiate these findings. Not to do so would be to admit the failure of its operations for the past five years.

The purpose of the N.R.S.: "To assist Jewish and other refugees in the United States; provide financial assistance and family services, job and professional placement, retraining loans, social adjustment program and other forms of aid. . . ." is thus apparently fulfilled.

Yet the 1944 expenses were a million dollars, the 1945 expenses are about a million dollars, and the requested 1946 budget is also a little over a million dollars. In other words, the diminishing budget has stopped diminishing, and it begins to appear that an emergency agency, set up as a temporary expedient to assist and coordinate existing agencies, is now unwilling to liquidate itself, and seeks to perpetuate its million dollar budget as a constant drain on American Jewish resources.

**FOR ONE THING**, the continued existence and activity of the N.R.S. is a libel on the refugee's reputation. The emergency is over, these people are for the most part self-sufficient, and yet the continuance of the N.R.S. gives the impression that there are many thousands of men and women who would be public charges, were it not for the N.R.S. A million dollars can go a long way, if properly spent, yet one searches in vain for evidence of the constructive or necessary work which the National Refugee Service is now doing.

Liquidation of the Oswego Shelter? Their 1946 budget calls for \$50,000 to effect such liquidation, and \$75,000 in relief thereafter. It is to be doubted if the latter sum will be necessary, but in any event the Oswego project is the only legitimate item on the 1946 budget. For the remainder, one must ask again, how many persons will be the beneficiaries of that million dollars this coming year?

The suspicion is rapidly growing in Jewish circles, among social workers, newspapermen, and other observers, that the staff and administration of the National Refugee Service are not interested in the liquidation of that body, with consequent loss of their positions, lay or professional. I have heard some interesting statements regarding the number of employees, and the size of salaries paid by the N.R.S., in proportion to the number of refugees actually being helped. The organization might shed further light on this score if it wished.

**ONE FINAL POINT.** How long does a refugee remain a refugee, and when does he become an American? The great majority of the newcomers to our shores are already Americans. If they have problems, it is as Americans, and there are numerous existing agencies to deal with the needs of American Jews. It is a reflection upon these people to maintain any longer a "Refugee Service." It is a reflection upon them—and a waste of a million dollars a year, for which there is genuine, crying need elsewhere.

### Positions Open

LARGE conservative congregation in the South desires American type Hebrew instructor who has pleasant voice and can assist in the reading of the Torah. Attractive position for ambitious young man. Dept. C, The Jewish Post, Box 1632, Indianapolis, Ind.

### 2 Positions Open

Expanding program of Conservative Synagogue-Center with membership in excess of 500 requires the following additional personnel for coming year.

1. Executive Director for fund raising, youth or adult activities and general administrative duties.
2. Male or female teachers (couple preferred) for Hebrew School and Nursery-Kindergarten with any of the following additional experience: Summer Day Camp and direction of youth or adult activities or Congregational functionary.

State in detail abilities, experience, age, references when writing to Rabbi David H. Panitz, The Jewish Center, Silver and West Third Streets, Jacksonville 6, Florida.



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### RABBI BERNSTEIN ANSWERS RABBI BERGER, SAYS HE EVADED CHAPLAINCY

Editor, The Jewish Post,

My attention has been called to the statement by Rabbi Elmer Berger, Executive Director of the American Council for Judaism, concerning his relations with CANRA, the endorsing body for Jewish Chaplains. Any official reply will have to come from that Committee, of which I ceased to be Executive Director when I returned to my congregation in Rochester on Feb. 1. However, when Rabbi Berger made specific and false statements concerning myself, "that he could not obtain endorsement, etc.," he left me with no alternative but to state the facts.

When Rabbi Berger appeared before CANRA on March 1, 1943, he was endorsed for the Chaplaincy, and he agreed, as did all other candidates, to serve in either the Army or Navy, depending upon the then current need. Because requirements in the Army were so much greater than in the Navy, Rabbi Berger was recommended to that branch of the service. In violation of his commitment, he refused to serve, insisting upon the Navy.

Later in the year, when further Naval openings developed, Rabbi Berger was recommended to the Navy. Again he refused to serve, this time on the basis of his commitments to the American Council for Judaism.

He persisted in this refusal until the summer of 1944, when his name was about to be dropped from the list of Chaplaincy candidates because of his refusal to serve. Thereupon, he sent a telegram to CANRA offering his services to the Navy, although it was known that there were no openings for Naval Chaplains at that time.

In the late Fall of 1944, when a Naval opening developed, Rabbi Berger initiated certain steps toward a Chaplaincy commission which he never completed. His reluctance and evasiveness were so marked that the Chief of Chaplains of the Navy was compelled to state that he was not

interested in having Rabbi Berger as a Naval Chaplain. All efforts to have him complete the process leading to a Naval Chaplaincy had been unavailing.

When Rabbi Berger refused to complete his processing with the Navy and to answer all letters concerning it, and when the Naval Chief of Chaplains refused to give Rabbi Berger any further consideration because of his obvious unwillingness to serve, a final opportunity was given him for Army service. In February, 1945, General Eisenhower had radioed for fifty additional Jewish Chaplains to serve urgent overseas needs in that crucial period of the war. By this time, nearly all of the eligible Rabbis had already offered their services, and had either been commissioned or rejected for physical or technical reasons. Despite his record, Rabbi Berger was given another chance to serve as an Army Chaplain. Consistent with his record, he declined to do so. In the closing months of the war, all letters to Rabbi Berger concerning Chaplaincy service remained unanswered.

Throughout this entire experience, Rabbi Berger at no point gave evidence of a sincere desire to serve as a Chaplain. He declined to keep his promises; he was persistently evasive, and, as in his most recent statement, specious in his excuses.

Throughout this entire period, Rabbi Berger was writing articles and making speeches denouncing Zionists, who constituted over 95 per cent of the Jewish Chaplains, as "un-American" and "un-patriotic." Is it any wonder then that the Jewish Chaplains and GIs feel nothing but contempt for Rabbi Berger and the organization which he represents? It is a pity that he has made necessary the explanation of this contempt in the public press.

RABBI PHILIP S. BERNSTEIN  
Temple B'rith Kodesh,  
Rochester, N. Y.

### RABBI DEFENDS POSITION OF DR. KANE; SAYS SMALL DIFFERENCE BETWEEN JEWS

Editor, The Jewish Post,

In your issue of Feb. 8, "An Eastonian" takes you to task for printing a letter by Dr. Joseph Kane, of Easton, Pa. (Published on Jan. 18.) "An Eastonian" thinks that by releasing this letter you "overstepped" your policy of freedom of the press.

I write to defend both The Post and Dr. Kane. I don't know this gentleman and on the basis of his letter I would say that he would do well if he should read or reread Dale Carnegie's popular book. However, his main thesis is essentially correct—and as a firm believer in telling the truth (whether pleasant or unpleasant) you are to be commended for publishing his letter.

What Dr. Kane tried to say is something like this: (1) that the vociferously proclaimed differences among American Jews in belief and mode of living are largely non-existent; (2) that these differences are artificially stimulated by institutions and organizations whose primary object is self-perpetuation; (3) that the remedy lies in a powerful public opinion which should demand the unification of and im-

provements in these instrumentalities in order that they may serve American Jewry effectively.

Who will deny the validity of these arguments? Only those who resort to wishful thinking and professional "public relations" workers whose object is to promote their respective organizations regardless of their usefulness. It is obvious that the situation must be changed—or else we shall have no Jewish community to quarrel over. The first step in the direction of revitalizing American Jewry is to develop not only externally but also internally a passion for facts. We cry out against prejudices without; let us not countenance them within.

Unfortunately the Anglo-Jewish press is so permeated by a mah yomru ha-goyim complex that they don't permit criticism of internal Jewish affairs. We have too many holy cows concerning which our press cries out, "Touch not mine anointed!" Our editorializers feel that their objective must always be to defend the Jew and not to call attention to communal evils. However, if such a policy is con-

### Takes Issue With Frank; Urges Accurate Reports

Editor, The Jewish Post:

We trust it will be possible for you to devote some space in your column in order to rectify a very serious mistake caused by the rather rash attack of your esteemed columnist, M. Z. Frank.

It is not our purpose to agree or disagree with Mr. Frank concerning the purposes and structure of the Histadruth Ivrit. We suppose it is more a matter of personal approach and opinion than factual considerations in a discussion of that sort.

But when Mr. Frank criticizes our 30th Anniversary Dinner, which took place on January 20, he exposes himself to condemnation and criticism which he might avoid had he been a little more accurate in his reporting. Mr. Frank complains that he never "heard Hebrew spoken so unnaturally, so laboriously, so artificially, so atrociously." This statement, when I read it, made me suspect that Mr. Frank was not present when that great scholar and beautifully fluent orator in Hebrew, Professor Mirsky, addressed the audience—in a very beautiful and fluent Hebrew. When he criticized the singing, we were quite sure that he did not hear the exquisite renditions of our choral group. Some days later, we met Mr. Frank and asked him if he had remained until the end of the dinner; he said he did not.

In the interests of honest journalism it is necessary that such statements do not appear in your worthy publication. We would advise that in the future, Mr. Frank be more correct than critical.

Sincerely yours,  
MORDECAI HALEVI  
Executive Director  
Histadruth Ivrit, New York

### Casts Doubt On Berger's Letter to Naval Office

Editor, The Jewish Post:

I read Rabbi Elmer Berger's "heroic" letter to the Naval Procurement Office, offering his life for his country.

As an old Naval Chaplain, that letter handed me a hearty laugh! Who does he think he is kidding? Those of us on the inside know the facts, and they are not very pretty.

Cordially yours,  
HENRY J. BERKOWITZ  
Formerly Chaplain U.S.N.R.

tinued we are headed for a time (in the not too far distant future) when we shall have no Jews to defend.

The Post, by practicing genuine freedom of the press, is a wholesome exception. It is this, more than anything else, which is sure to increase your circle of friends everywhere. Keep the good work up.

S. FELIX MENDELSON  
Temple Beth Israel  
Chicago

### 2 Mistakes; 1 Major, 1 Minor; Which is Segal?

Editor, The Jewish Post,

I am a careful reader of your paper and I find it to be alive and interesting. It is perhaps the best publication of its kind in our country.

In the issue which I have just received I notice a bad mistake. You publish a picture of the Grand Mufti who is now in France and then you go on to speak of the return of Jamal Hussein to Jerusalem. The latter is a cousin of the notorious Mufti and you have evidently confused the two cousins.

This, however, is a minor matter, since it is a single mistake. But there is a more serious criticism in the recurring mistake

### BELIEVES PERSONAL ATTACK WRONG; SEES MUCH HARM TO REFORM MOVEMENT

Editor, The Jewish Post,

Though I have aligned myself with the group of chaplains that recently made a dramatic appeal in behalf of the Zionist cause, I must take exception to the tactics that have since been employed. Chaplain Blumenthal's recent rhetorical piece and the venom directed against the person of Elmer Berger are entirely out of place. In fact they are out of harmony with the spirit of the polemic which we should wage intelligently against the American Council for Judaism.

Our critique of the Rosenwald Clique can stand on its own feet; it is not strengthened by disturbing the sacred memory of the dead or by pointing accusing fingers at the skeletons in the closets of the living. On the contrary, our position will be weakened by this injection of personalities, and I for one would hate to see a vendetta conducted against any Rabbi who failed his country during the recent war emergency. I may express my own disdain of such unforgivable behavior, but it is my firm conviction that the cause of Judaism or the American Rabbinate will not be served through a campaign of vilification. So let's stop flaying the body of Berger and get on with the task of exposing the soul sickness that lurks behind the elaborate Council propaganda.

It might also be advisable to look into our own hearts and ascertain to what extent we too are injudiciously heaping fuel on this ideological feud. Tempers in Jewish life are usually frayed and we tend to over-dramatize and to shout at the top of our voices at the slightest pretext. Now this cleavage in the Reform movement is fast becoming a serious one and in time might imperil the whole course of its future development. Some Zionists may of course regard this as a battle to the finish. In the past gentlemen of this breed have not dis-

tinguished themselves for tact and prudence. But I believe that Reform Rabbis should be cautioned against the policy of pulling some one else's chestnuts out of the fire. What is at stake is not only American Jewry's orientation to the Zionist question but the future health and growth of Reform Judaism and hence the sages should be wary in their speech lest the breach be made irrevocable.

I have a feeling that Zionists too have sinned in charging the air with too much bitterness and a nasty display of temper. While I affirm the Zionist point of view as against that of the Council, I reserve the right to call our people to task for their sledgehammer techniques. This is not the path of ideological victory. And if we have in mind only a narrow, personal triumph, then we have already defeated our aims by ourselves. A study of the historical development of this conflict will reveal the interesting fact that it was precipitated by hasty action and the zealotry of individuals who for the first time seemingly found themselves entrenched in power. Their tactics are still misguided.

If we browbeat the members of the opposition, we cannot hope to convince them, unless of course we regard them as being beyond persuasion. In which case the Council has similar legitimate grounds to pull no punches. The result of course will be that the Zionist cause might make some headway, but at the same time the body of Reform Judaism will be battered and bruised by this internecine warfare. Do Zionist Reform Rabbis welcome such a state of affairs? A little more patient though and less heat would be much appreciated by us battle-weary veterans.

Sincerely yours,  
RABBI HARRY ESSRIG  
New York, N. Y.

### SAYS PATRIOTS MERELY TAKING BACK MONEY BRITAIN STOLE FROM JEWS

Editor, The Jewish Post,

In your last issue of The Post, Rabbi Schultz quotes Dingal of The Day as condemning those Jewish patriots who only took back money that Britain stole from Jews through unlawful taxes. He is afraid that those Chaverim may keep the money for their own use. Well, Mr. Dingal can be assured this will never happen. He must not judge others through himself. You know what I mean. The Irgun does not operate as Dingal's Histadruth.

Let me recall that the first

"holdup" expedition by one Dviri and two others was made a few years ago. They were picked for the job because they belonged to the richest families in Eretz Israel, so Dingal and his kind would keep his mouth shut. You can be sure, the last job was made by Jewish zealots who don't need the money for themselves.

Thank you.  
With Zion greetings,  
AARON RINGEL  
1123 Broadway,  
New York, N. Y.

which you make every week, viz., the publication of a column by Segal.

Who is this guy? Why do you print his junk? It is not particularly well written and has no content. Segal is a man who feels he does not belong on a dais because there he cannot step on people's toes. What sort of a person is he who regards it as his function in life to step on people's toes?

While I'm in the mood let me also indicate to you that I'm annoyed by "Howdy Folks." I'm sure that there are many who agree with me that a publication like yours should not tell us about the private affairs of some Hollywood star, or are the people in your neighborhood allergic to that sort of claptrap.

Think it over, Mr. Cohen.

Very truly yours,  
RABBI HARRY HALPERN  
Brooklyn, N. Y.

### We Are Either First or Second Class Citizens

Editor, The Jewish Post,

It is very interesting to read the pros and cons about Al Segal's column. Some ask for omitting it from your paper because they disagree with him. I do not agree with each of his articles but I like to have somebody else's opinion if only for getting other people's view.

Dr. Samuel Lichtenstein's letter in the Post of 2-8-46 is a case in point. Whether Mr. Segal admits it or not he votes as a Jew. I am positive he would not vote for Gerald K. Smith for congressman and by so doing he votes as a Jew. We perform our duty as Americans when we vote, but we vote for or against somebody according to our convictions. We vote as Liberals, as Conservatives, as Republicans, as Democrats, as Independents, for or

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## VIEWS AGAINST VIOLENCE SHARED BY MANY LEADERS SAYS RABBI AGUS

Editor, The Jewish Post,

My attention was just called to the scurrilous letter printed in your "Freedom of the Press" section, issue of Feb. 8th, concerning my article on the dangers of the anti-British terror movement in Palestine. Your correspondent, naturally enough, does not disclose his identity.

It seems to me that your action in printing the anonymous letter, attacking the character of a rabbi who is well known to you, is inconsistent with the high standards of Jewish journalism that you claim to uphold.

When I began a campaign to convince Zionist leadership of the fatal errors in their policy of militant resistance and terror, I knew that I could only expect to receive brickbats for my pains, from the people who prefer to think with their blood rather than with their brains. For the life of me I cannot see why my critics in New York and Chicago who sit in their comfortable offices and invite the Jews of Palestine to fight it out with the British are any braver than I, who persist in calling a hysterical and histrionic Jewish public opinion to its senses, knowing very well that I champion a most unpopular issue.

I am happy to record that nearly all the rabbis and scholars who reacted privately to my writings—and they are among the leading Zionists of the country—share my views in every detail. However, some doubt the wisdom of discussing such issues in public, while others fear to risk the disapproval of their respective followings.

I do not regard it as improper to discuss the issue in the Anglo-Jewish press, because the advocates of violence have long used the press in their campaigns. I also feel that I should be derailed in my duties as a rabbi if I allowed fear of the uninformed and the hysterical to silence the expression of my views.

In the Palestinian Hebrew press, the militant policy of Ben Gurion which touched off the wave of rioting in recent months is being openly subjected to bitter criticism. The "Aliyah Chadasha," a conservative party, and a socialist group, headed by Jo-

seph Sprinzak, demanded last month the resignation of Ben Gurion. (Reported in The Day, Feb. 11, 1946.)

In fact, the course of events since November demonstrated unmistakably the tragic fallacy of the policy of violence against the British. That policy was based primarily upon a Russian orientation in world politics and upon the active support of all centers of opposition to "British imperialism." In recent weeks, Soviet Russia showed her hand—and, it was all out, pro-Arab. It is now crystal clear that whatever we may hope to get in Palestine in the immediate future will only be obtained with the help of the British. It is sheer madness to argue that such help can best be obtained by the shooting of British soldiers.

Sir, I should be happy to see reasoned replies to my article in your paper. I believe that the Zionist cause can only be furthered by frank discussion, provided such discussion is kept on a high journalistic level. Surely, Hitler will have won his war against us if we stoop to employ his tactics of name calling in our public life. Nor should the Nazi-like preference of the "voice of blood" over the voice of reason serve as the dominant sentiment in Zionist ranks.

May I say in conclusion that I have not yet received one negative reply which bothered to refute my arguments? I call upon you to keep the discussion within the confines of reason. Thus only can you serve the permanent good of Zionism.

Sincerely yours,  
RABBI JACOB B. AGUS  
Dayton, O.

Editor's Note: The writer, L. R. O., is well-known to the editor, is the mother of a rabbi, and her initials are known far and wide. I imagine she will be glad to make her name known and to reply to Rabbi Agus. The short note under the heading, "Freedom of The Press," says: "Names of letter writers need not be printed, and will not be divulged, although the name must be appended to the letter as it reaches our office for verification as to authenticity."

## SEGAL REACHES PEAK OF BLUNDERING STUPIDITY; WHY DOES POST PRINT HIM?

Editor, The Jewish Post,

Well, well, Al Segal is now advising the love-lorn readers. What next? He even calls himself "an old hand in the knowledge of human ways." Segal is of the opinion that if the "goi" his granddaughter would want to marry had a good background, were well educated, had good ideas, etc., he would not object to the intermarriage. "Who can intrude on a matter of love."

Tsk, tsk! Mr. Editor, I am really surprised that you let Segal pour this dangerous stuff down your readers' throats. It sounds quite familiar to a student of Jewish history. All throughout Jewish history there have been "wise men" like Segal who encouraged or condoned intermarriages. There is no trace of the descendants of such marriages. They have assimilated completely and are no more as far as Jews are concerned.

I wish to remind Segal that NOT ONE JEW IN GERMANY SAVED HIMSELF BY INTERMARRIAGE. In the final analysis the Nazis considered them all Jews and it was off to the gas chambers with them. There is no running away from your "Yiddishkeit," Mr. Segal, even if you really want to. It always catches up with you in the end,

so why not make the best if it? Besides, these intermarriages very rarely are happy. During a family quarrel the epithet, "you dirty Jew . . .", is quite frequently thrown at the Jewish partner to the match.

When the children have to be given a religious education there is also confusion and strife over whether it shall be "Cheder" or church school. The children are made unhappy and miserable by that strife. Another pertinent fact: many of those mixed couples in Germany realized the utter futility of their act and so refrained from having children so that they would not have to be brought up in such an unhappy environment. If Segal is adverse to the idea of preserving the Jewish people as a separate entity why is he employed by The Jewish Post? Why is he employed by any Jewish publication believing in a distinct Jewish entity?

"Perhaps I should have said to him," writes Segal, "that 'Your Jewish problem doesn't belong here. See me at another time when my being a Jew is separated from my function of being a member of mankind.'" This is the peak of blundering stupid-

## Many Christians at College of Jewish Studies

Editor, The Jewish Post,

In view of the discussion on the pages of your worthy publication in regard to students of other creeds and races studying at Jewish institutions of learning, I thought it would interest you to know the following. For the last ten years, Christian students, white and negro, have been attending the College of Jewish Studies. Some of them have studied at the College the last six years. In keeping with the policies of full academic freedom, the College of Jewish Studies has no restrictions whatsoever in the admission of students. The interesting thing is that not only do these non-Jewish students pursue our regular courses, but also share in the extra-curricular activities, participate in our Melaveh Malkahs, observance of Jewish holidays events sponsored by the Student and all other cultural social students' Council of the College of Jewish Studies.

I thought that the readers of your paper might be interested in this limited, but very gratifying experience in human brotherhood.

MISS FRANCES MERRICK  
President, Students' Council  
College of Jewish Studies  
Chicago, Ill.

## Why Jewish Store Owner Takes Down Sign

Editor, The Jewish Post,

Today I approached the owner of a Jewish drug store (in a neighborhood of mixed religious) who consented to put up a poster from the Manhattan Zionist Club, advertising their "Hechalutz Opera," a project to lend strength to the pioneer movement. It was met with such violent objection from his Gentile customers that he was forced to withdraw the poster from his window.

If the situation were reversed, would Jews have the temerity to dictate to Gentile proprietors the type of advertisement they can put in their windows?

Such opposition only goads us to renewed efforts in accomplishing our goal!

Yours, truly,  
(MRS.) BETTY BERNBACH  
30 W. 70 St.,  
New York City

ity. Segal really put his foot into it this time. It reveals Segal's utter lack of understanding of Jewish contributions to our civilization. In his haste to apologize for being a Jew he completely neglects the Jewish heritage. Perhaps Segal ought to read the Prophets. They clearly and forcefully stated the inseparability of the Jew with the world. Why, even the American Council for Judaism when arguing against Jewish nationalism quotes the Prophets as great internationalists!

His reluctance to "cry out as a Jew when the entire human race is afflicted" gives one the impression that his solution of the Jewish problem is the crushing out and disappearance of the Jew.

Segal's philosophy seems to run in the line of the smug Stockholm Jews who (as Dr. Margoshes wrote) tried to stop immigration of Jewish refugees to Sweden because they feared more anti-Semitism. He is too smug, too omniscient. He does not deserve the name "Jew," for what has been his contribution to the Jewish people besides a few rambling columns having neither rhyme nor reason? His attitude reminds one of Russian Jews prior to the pogroms about 70 years ago, and of the attitude of German Jews 15 years ago.

## BELIEVE IN DEITY; FLAYS RABBI SCHULTZ SAYS MANY PROMINENT JEWS DO NOT

Editor, The Jewish Post,

Your paper has been of great value to me as a source of news and information about Jewish activities and the Jewish people. Perhaps you would be interested in my opinion on a question that has frequently troubled your columns: Why do so many Jews stay away from synagogue services? May, I suggest that many Jews do not gather to worship God because they sincerely do not believe in a deity.

How to bring unbelievers into the synagogue or temple is, of course, a question that is beyond me. It is a problem that began when we left the ghetto schools to study modern science.

This is not the place to engage in a philosophic discussion. I do not question the necessity of Jews who believe in God and the Jewish religion to worship as they believe. I merely point out that there are many Jews who are honestly agnostics or atheists, including perhaps some of the prominent Jews who are mentioned as a credit to the Jewish people in your theatrical and movie columns, in your sports columns, and perhaps in your recent reporting of the scientists who worked on the atom bomb.

We who are proud and loyal Jews despite our inability to join a synagogue in good faith wish to maintain an active, willing connection with our fellow Jews. We want to teach our children the history and languages of our people. We try to help our fellow Jews who have suffered from fascism and general anti-Semitism. We wish to do as much as we can to ensure that Jewish children as well as all the children of the world will as soon as possible be able to live lives that are honorable, peaceful, economically secure, unthreatened by prejudices.

We belong to whatever organizations we can honestly support to carry out these aims. Some Jews who feel themselves members of the working class belong to the Jewish branch of the International Workers' Order, which your Rabbi Benjamin Schultz either mistakenly or maliciously calls Red and which he derides because he says they "speak of religion as the 'opiate of the masses'."

Rabbi Schultz ought to know that this quotation is not derived from the policy, rules, or constitution of the I. W. O. To attribute this quotation to the I. W. O. is as false as it would be to say that Temple Emmanu-El opposes the working class because some of its members belong to the National Association of Manufacturers.

"It can't happen here," Segal seems to say also.

Re: Mrs. George Bofman's letter in the Post of Feb. 8.

She seems to think that Al Segal is needed to wake us up. She must be mistaken. Segal LULLS ONE TO SLEEP with his honey coated poison. If your daughters can't write on "What Judaism Means to Me" as well as some newly converted Jewesses, don't take the blame for that shameful state of affairs off yourself and blindly trust in Segal to correct the condition. YOU have failed miserably in your duty to your children by not giving them a sufficient Jewish education. A weekly column, especially written in Segal's manner and by Segal, will not teach what it takes long hours of hard study to learn. Besides, even writing a composition reveals no great knowledge of Jewish learning and tradition. But even so, these new Jewesses are better

Instead of dividing the Jewish people still more, would it not be more to the interests of Judaism if Rabbi Schultz and other Jewish leaders tried to unite all Jews, of whatever philosophical, religious, or political belief? Has not experience shown that the one idea held in common by all Jews is the idea of winning for Jews the full rights of humanity? No matter how much they have differed on other questions or even on the ways of advancing this idea, no member of the American Jewish Committee has ever differed with Jewish radicals on this idea in itself.

I must mention the Communist Party, since Rabbi Schultz has shown bias against it in his treatment of news items clipped from The Freiheit. Can Rabbi Schultz question that if Jews in America have the right to be department store owners, so also have they a right to be communists, especially if they believe that the Communist program will benefit not only the majority of the people in the world but particularly the majority of the Jewish people?

There are many Jews in the Communist Party, and many of them joined it because they saw the Communist Party as an organization fighting fascism and fighting against the oppression of minority peoples, including the Jewish people. Also, many of them saw in the U. S. S. R. the first government in the world that made anti-Semitism a justly punished crime, a government that fosters Jewish literature, Jewish art, Jewish life actively and wholeheartedly, as no other government has ever done.

I don't say that Rabbi Schultz should believe in Communism. I do say that he should recognize that there are Jews who in varying degrees adhere to the Communist program and who would like to see his column report a Freiheit clipping as honestly as the rest of your paper reports the Jewish scene. If as a Rabbi, he cannot be thus objective, perhaps it would be fairer to let Rabbi Schultz write a column on religion and transfer the Yiddish Press assignment to one of your staff who is less hampered by religious or political prejudices.

At risk of repetition, may I tell you again that I find your paper valuable and enjoyable and appreciate keenly the difficulties you have to meet in writing and publishing a paper for so diversified a people as we Jews are.

Yours sincerely,  
E. S.  
Brooklyn 29, N. Y.

educated in "Yiddishkeit" than YOUR type's children.

Respectfully,  
SHLOMO LEVIN  
781 Crotona Park N.,  
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## Either 1st or 2nd Class

(Continued from Preceding Page)

against labor, then why can't we vote as Jews without apologizing for it?

It is about time that we Jews stop making excuses for owning 90 percent of the stores on your Main street or for founding and developing the motion picture industry, etc. We either are citizens with equal rights with everybody else, or we are second class citizens. The sooner we find this out the better.

Sincerely yours,  
ALBERT PAZMANER  
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South Euclid 21, Ohio.



## NEW YORK CHURCHES PROTEST HOUSE PROBER THREATENS JEWS

World Wide News Service

NEW YORK—The Greater New York Federation of Churches, aroused by an anti-Semitic statement attributed to an investigator for the House Committee on Un-American Activities, this week called upon New York's Congressmen to ask for a review of the legislation under which the committee was established.

The statement said:

"We are moved to indignation, by the evidence submitted to us that Mr. Nicklas, an investigator for the committee, in the presence of its chief counsel, Ernie Adamson, said to Prof. Clyde Miller of Teachers College, Columbia University:

"You should tell your Jewish friends that the Jews in Germany stuck their necks out too far and Hitler took good care of them and that the same thing will happen here unless they watch their steps."

"This statement by an employee of the U. S., an investigator presumably chosen by the Committee on Un-American Activities, outrages American and Christian principles, reflects on the spirit and purpose of the committee and challenges the House, which is the body responsible for its activities, to bring this sort of thing to an end."

The Federation also "viewed with alarm" the committee's "continuous interference with the freedoms of our citizens" in its investigations of radio commentators and its attempts to thwart

the activities of such organizations as the National Committee to combat Anti-Semitism and the Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee.

### Use Force Zionists Told By Will Roger Jr.

By RITA ROHER SEMEL

Jewish Post Correspondent

SAN FRANCISCO—More than three thousand San Franciscans—Jews and non-Jews—joined together Sunday (Feb. 17) night at a Demonstration for Palestine

### Moslem Picket For Palestine

Special

SAN FRANCISCO—A number of Indonesian Moslems, garbed in their native garments, paraded before the British consulate, in San Francisco last Friday carrying placards inscribed: "Jews and Arabs would get along well in Palestine if the British would get out of the country"

mass meeting heard Will Rogers, Jr., former California Congressman, declare: "If the gates of Palestine are not opened in the next two years, we might as well forget all about it."

Declaring that the hard-hearted realists in the State Department were unmoved by stories of concentration camp suffering, the son of the beloved American humorist emphasized "We must show force and pressure, then and only then can we get action."

### British Consul Wants 'Merchant' Produced

Special

NAPLES, Italy—When the Jewish Community of Naples requested the Italian police of the city to ban a performance of Shakespeare's "Merchant of Venice," the police good-naturedly obliged. But the great Bard found a stout defender in the British consulate of Naples who protested the action and the ban was removed in twenty-four hours.

### Recall Communist Inspired—McClanahan

Special

LOS ANGELES—Petitions signed by more than 11,000 registered voters demanding the recall of Councilman Meade McClanahan, associate and supporter of Gerald L. K. Smith, were characterized by the councilman as "Communist-inspired."

Some members of the City Council balked at expenditure of public funds for the purpose of checking signatures on the petitions, but McClanahan urged that the money be provided immediately. Because the petitions were circulated on Sunday, he said, the persons behind the recall campaign had proved themselves to be an "anti-Christian, Communist, un-American group trying to undermine our form of government."

"Sunday," he said, "is a day of rest observed by all Christians." The recall will be effective if valid signatures on the petition equal or exceed 20 per cent of the votes cast last April when McClanahan was elected.

### Germans To Try Nazis

Jewish Telegraphic Agency

NUREMBERG — The trial of thousands of lesser Nazi war criminals in the American zone in Germany may be turned over to the re-established German courts, according to an agreement between the offices of the U. S. Chief War Crimes Counsel and the Army's Judge Advocate General. It is feared that tens of thousands of "small fry" may escape.

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## 15 JEWS HURT AS VIOLENCE BREAKS OUT AT DP CAMPS

Jewish Telegraphic Agency

FRANKFURT—Two Jewish D.P. camps, Zeilsheim near Frankfurt and Lampertheim near Manneheim, settled down today to normal, peaceful existence after several scenes of violence during the last week in which fifteen persons were reported injured, and the Jewish police chief was slapped by an American lieutenant.

### Jewish Students Balk At DAR Award Vote

Special

CHELSEA, Mass. — Charging that the Daughters of the American Revolution thrives on racial discrimination, a majority of members of the senior class at Chelsea high school refused to participate in the voting in connection with the D.A.R. award.

The signers of a petition which gave the reasons for refusing the vote were for the most part Jewish students, who incidentally are the majority at the high school, in this largely Jewish community.

### Rabbi Asks Saltonstall To Vote Against Loan

Special

SPRINGFIELD, Mass.—Rabbi Herschel Levin of Congregation Beth Israel this week called on Senator Leverett Saltonstall to oppose granting of the proposed loan to Great Britain.

His opposition to the loan, he said, is based on Britain's "stark fascism" in her colonial and imperial policies.

"If the smooth-talking Attlee-Bevin government will be as democratic in its colonial policies as it claims to be at home," he wrote, "I would be in favor of helping it. But they must first do unto others as they would have us do unto them."

### Party To Oppose Discrimination

Special

QUEBEC — Opposition to all forms of discrimination because of either nationality, language or faith will be included in the charter of a new all-Canadian labor movement presently being organized.

### SERMON OF THE WEEK Mortgages and Piety

The high financial records of congregations and the attendances at synagogues as shown by a nation-wide poll.—Rabbi Beryl D. Cohen, Boston.

UNRRA authorities at Zeilsheim emphasized that the incidents there were not anti-Semitic. The Jewish D.P.s resent the use by American military authorities of German police in the camps. The military claims, however, that these police are needed to suppress the black market.

UNRRA representatives, anxious to prevent further incidents, are presently attempting to have the German police removed from the vicinity of the camp where they present a mockery for the Jewish D.P.s who hate the sight of Germans, especially armed ones. The Lampertheim camp was declared out of bounds for German police simultaneously.

"Orientation classes" for newly-arrived American troops stationed at the Jewish D.P. camps were opened with the view of educating the soldiers concerning the rights of the D.P.s.

### Detroit Unions to Aid Histadrut Drive

Special

DETROIT—Assurances that organized labor in Detroit will back the \$125,000 local campaign of the Histadrut were given last week at a meeting at which Joseph Schlossberg, N. Y., secretary-treasurer emeritus of the CIO Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, was guest speaker.

Victor G. Reuther, economic adviser to the CIO United Auto Workers; Norman Mathews, national director of the UAW's Chrysler division; and Frank X. Martel, president of the Detroit and Wayne county Federation of Labor, pledged that Detroit organized labor would help raise the quota.

## 1ST JEWISH SLAUGHTERHOUSE- BUTCHER SHOP OPENED FOR DPs

NEW YORK—Jewish displaced persons in Germany are now eating kosher meat slaughtered in an approved orthodox Jewish slaughterhouse for the first time since 1933, according to a report received by United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Washington headquarters. Through cooperation between the Military Govern-

ment and UNRRA officials in Bavaria, the first kosher butcher shop has been opened on Zenetti Strasse No. 2 in Munich.

During the first week, 20 oxen were butchered in the Munich slaughterhouse, according to the Jewish tradition. Special knives, wielded by the Rabbi, were used for the slaughtering, and the meat was inspected by the Jewish representative. After receiving the kosher stamp, the meat was delivered to the 4,000 orthodox Jews in UNRRA assembly centers in Bavaria. German sources supply the fresh meat.

### Orthodox Shuls To Meet

Special

CHATTANOOGA — The third annual meeting of the Southeastern Synagogue Conference will take place here March 1-3. Leaders of congregations, Sisterhoods and Brotherhoods in Tennessee, Georgia, Alabama, Florida and the Carolinas are expected to attend the sessions, which will be devoted to a discussion of the problems facing religious institutions in the post-war era.

### Isserman On MBs In March

Special

NEW YORK—Rabbi Ferdinand M. Isserman, president of the St. Louis Rabbinical Association, will be the Friday guest speaker on the MBs religious series, "Faith In Our Time," heard Mondays through Fridays (10:15 to 10:30 a. m., EST). Rabbi Isserman's talks will be heard on March 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29, under the auspices of the Synagogue Council of America.

### Mendelsohn Story On Air Sunday

NEW YORK—Moses Mendelsohn, a radio drama by Morton Wishengrad concerning the life of the great German-Jewish philosopher, will be presented on the Eternal Light program on Sunday over NBC, 11:00 a. m.; WEAF, 12:00 noon, EST.

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